The Region of Peel Health System Integration Committee met on May 16, 2019 at 9:37 a.m., in the Regional Council Chambers, 5th Floor, Regional Administrative Headquarters 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton, ON.

Members Present: C. Fonseca; N. Iannicca; P. Saito; P. Vicente

Members Absent: J. Downey, due to other municipal business; A. Groves, due to vacation; C. Parrish, due to other municipal business

Advisory Members Present: B. Carr, President and CEO, William Osler Health System; M. DiEmanuele, President and CEO, Trillium Health Partners; K. Delahunt, Senior Director, Central West LHIN (Designate for S. McLeod); L. Fernandes, Vice President of Regional Programs, Mississauga Halton LHIN (Designate for S. Smith)

Advisory Members Absent: S. McLeod, CEO, Central West LHIN; S. Smith, CEO, Mississauga Halton LHIN

Also Present: K. Ferrari, Executive Director, Clinical Services, William Osler Health System; N. Polsinelli, Commissioner of Health Services and Acting Chief Administrative Officer; C. Matheson, Commissioner of Corporate Services; P. Caza, Acting Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer; S. Baird, Commissioner of Digital and Information Services; P. O’Connor, Regional Solicitor; S. Jacques, Chief Planner; A. Farr, Acting Commissioner of Public Works; J. Sheehy, Commissioner of Human Services; Dr. J. Hopkins, Medical Officer of Health; K. Lockyer, Regional Clerk and Director of Legal Services; H. West, Committee Clerk; S. MacGregor, Legislative Assistant

H. West, Committee Clerk, presided.
1. **ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

**RECOMMENDATION HSIC-1-2019:**

That Councillor Fonseca be elected Chair of the Health System Integration Committee, for a term ending November 14, 2022 or until a successor is appointed.

**RECOMMENDATION HSIC-2-2019:**

That Councillor Vicente be elected Vice-Chair of the Health System Integration Committee, for a term ending November 14, 2022 or until a successor is appointed.

*Councillor Fonseca assumed the Chair.*

2. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** - Nil

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RECOMMENDATION HSIC-3-2019:**

That the agenda for the May 16, 2019 Health System Integration Committee meeting be approved.

4. **DELEGATIONS** - Nil

5. **REPORTS**

5.1. **Overview of the Health System Integration Committee**

*Received*

5.2. **Overview of the Health System Directions and Current Health Policy Priorities - A Region of Peel Perspective**

Presentation by Brian Laundry, Director, Strategic Policy & Performance

*Received*

Brian Laundry, Director, Strategic Policy & Performance, stated that the changes outlined in Bill 74, *The People's Healthcare Act*, and reduction in provincial funding will result in significant health system transformation across Ontario. Brian Laundry provided an overview of the Health System Integration Committee’s (HSIC) mandate noting that the Committee has been a key
platform for local health system partners for engaging in conversation around broader policy issues, system integration and identifying shared challenges and local priorities. He highlighted the current health system and Regional health services, future changes to the system including dissolution of Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) and the creation of a single agency called Ontario Health. Ontario Health will oversee Ontario Health Teams that will be responsible and accountable for delivering a coordinated continuum of care and all local health service providers will be a part of the Team. During the transition phase (approximately five years), system planning and oversight will still be managed by the 2 LHINs serving Peel, being Central West and Mississauga Halton.

Brian Laundry indicated that the Region of Peel has been engaged in three separate submissions of an ‘expression of interest’ to the provincial government from Trillium Health Partners, Headwaters Health Care Centre and William Osler Health System who have coordinated submissions on behalf of community partners, to become one of the newly created Ontario Health Teams.

In response to a question raised by Councillor Saito, Michelle DiEmanuele, President and CEO, Trillium Health Partners, stated that the proposed Ontario Health boundaries will be self-selected based on initial submissions to the Province. The boundaries will be determined based on care for a geographical population.

Councillor Saito asked if the Region of Peel will still provide day services, TransHelp, social services and Paramedic services. Nancy Polsinelli, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, stated that the Region of Peel would likely provide the services in partnership with Ontario Health Teams. Michelle DiEmanuele added that a partnership approach would provide options to the local service providers.

Councillor Saito inquired about the urgent care facility in Mississauga and funding impacts. Michelle DiEmanuele responded that capital projects are on track; however Mississauga has been underfunded and with continued population growth, there is concern for continued underfunding.

In response to a question from Councillor Saito, Jessica Hopkins, Medical Officer of Health, stated that there has not been any provincial response regarding public health funding to date.

In response to a question from Councillor Vicente, Brian Laundry stated that the Ontario Health Teams would be directly funded from the provincial government through an integrated funding envelope.

Councillor Vicente discussed underfunding to the Central West LHIN and questioned how efficiencies can be gained to achieve better care and equal funding. Dr. Carr, President and CEO, William Osler Health System, commented on models used across Canadian Provinces by Health Authorities which is structured from the local level, ground up. He noted that Ontario Health’s objective is for communities to inform the Province on how goals can be achieved and has identified this as an opportunity to achieve less fragmentation and duplication.

In response to a question from Councillor Fonseca, Kiki Ferrari, Executive Director, Clinical Services, William Osler Health System, stated that the rapid population growth is one reason to join the new integrated care model which would help identify patient personas, prevent dementia and address complex care needs which is difficult to do in the current system due to
fragmentation. Michelle DiEmanuele added that there are other issues related to population growth and aging, such as, a poverty predisposition caused by rapid growth.

Councillor Fonseca suggested that additional HSIC meetings be scheduled as required prior to the next scheduled meeting.

Councillor Vicente asked Dr. Carr for an update on Phase II of the Peel Memorial Centre, noting that the previous government committed to funding 150 hospital beds and he inquired if that is enough. Dr. Carr responded that Provincial funding mechanisms are mainly focused on new development, noting that the Brampton Civic Hospital has approximately 72,000 patients per year in comparison to other hospitals that have 40,000 patients per year. He stated that dialogue continues with the Province and that $4M was received last year with some growth funding this year but no additional future funding is expected. Phase I of the hospital is complete, although not 100 per cent funded. Dr. Carr commented that providing traditional hospital beds for the future is not realistic and there is a need to evaluate the future state. He noted that 30 to 40 per cent of current patients could be treated through virtual technology and virtual care options.

5.3. Questions for the Province With Respect to Public Health Unit Modernization

Received

Councillor Saito requested that staff provide advice to the Government Relations Committee regarding advocacy roles related to Public Health.

6. COMMUNICATIONS - Nil

7. IN CAMERA MATTERS - Nil

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1. Provincial Announcements Related to Public Health and the Paramedic Services System

Received
9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Health System Integration Committee is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 1:00 p.m., Regional Administrative Headquarters, Council Chamber, 5th floor, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton, ON.

Please forward regrets to Helena West, Committee Clerk, (905) 791-7800, extension 4697 or at Helena.west@peelregion.ca.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.