

# City of Hamilton HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

**Meeting #**: 18-008

**Date:** August 15, 2018

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Lisa Chamberlain, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729

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Current Due Date: August 15, 2018 Proposed Due Date: February 2019

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Proposed Due Date: December 17, 2018

VV - Home For Good

Current Due Date: August 15, 2018

Proposed Due Date: December 17, 2018

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Proposed Due Date: September 10, 2018

YY - Potential Implications of the Strengthening Quality and

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Current Due Date: July 11, 2018

Proposed Due Date: December 17, 2018

CCC - Funding Requests from Agencies

Current Due Date: TBD

Proposed Due Date: September 10, 2018

# 12. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

### 13. ADJOURNMENT



# HEALTHY & SAFE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES 18-007

1:30 pm Monday, June 25, 2018 Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West, Hamilton

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**Present:** Councillors S. Merulla (Chair), J. Farr, M. Green, A. Johnson,

T. Jackson, T. Whitehead

**Absent with Regrets:** Councillor J. Partridge - Personal

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### THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Standardization of Resident Electric Beds (Lodges) (HSC18027) (Wards 6 and 13) (Item 5.1)

# (Jackson/Green)

- (a) That Council approve the standardization of Span Medical electric beds, replacement parts and accessories manufactured by Span Medical Products Canada Incorporated, pursuant to Procurement Policy #14 – Standardization, at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of 5 years; and,
- (b) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute any required contract and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Span Medical Products Canada Incorporated., in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

2. Group Purchasing Services for Food and Related Supplies (HSC18026) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

# (Jackson/Green)

(a) That Complete Purchasing Services Inc. and their vendors be approved as the single source purchasing agent and vendors, pursuant to Policy #11 - Non-competitive Procurements, for group purchasing services for food and related supplies for food service and nutrition programs at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of five years;

- (b) That Council approve Complete Purchasing Services Inc. as the single source purchasing agent, and the vendors used in conjunction with the Complete Purchasing Services Inc. as single source vendors, pursuant to Policy #11 - Non-competitive Procurements for group purchases for cleaning and related supplies for the laundry and housekeeping programs at both Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of five years;
- (c) That Macassa and Wentworth Lodges continue to increase the proportion of purchases of local food products through the approved suppliers in the Complete Purchasing Services Inc. program; and,
- (d) That the Recreation Division and the Red Hill Family Centre be approved to be added to Complete Purchasing Services Inc. program for food and related supplies and the associated vendors be approved as single source vendors.

**CARRIED** 

3. Fiscal Reporting for Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI), Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) and Home For Good (HFG) (HSC18030) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

# (Farr/Jackson)

- (a) That the 2018-2019 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative budget in the amount of \$19,455,174, 100% funded by the Ministry of Housing, be approved;
- (b) That the 2018-2019 Homelessness Partnering Strategy budget in the amount of \$5,285,318, 100% funded by Employment and Social Development Canada be approved;
- (c) That the 2018-2019 Home for Good homelessness program budget in the amount of \$1,000,000, 100% funded by the Ministry of Housing, be approved; and,
- (d) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities or designate be authorized and directed to receive, utilize and report on the use of these funds within approved fiscal budgets based on program priorities and strategies identified in the Homelessness Programs.

CARRIED

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# 4. Red Hill Family Centre Renovations (HSC18036) (Ward 6) (Item 8.3)

# (Green/Farr)

- (a) That the Red Hill Family Centre complete renovations to increase the current operating capacity by 15 toddlers in the amount of \$841,834 from the Child Care Expansion Funding (100% provincial funding); and,
- (b) That an increase in staff complement of 3.0 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Teachers, to meet the provincial licensing requirements for the additional 15 toddler spaces, in the amount of \$247,290, funded 100% through additional revenues (parental contributions and/or fee subsidies), be approved.

**CARRIED** 

# 5. Funding Requests from Agencies (Item 9.1)

# (Jackson/Green)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton provides funding to hundreds of partner agencies and organizations across Hamilton;

WHEREAS, these community partners provide a variety of health and human services including recreation programs, child care, shelter services, emergency food services, home visiting, housing supports and other community based services;

WHEREAS, over the past few months a number of these community agencies and organizations have approached the City of Hamilton for increased or one-time funding; and,

WHEREAS, there has been no formal process developed to evaluate these requests for new funding;

#### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff report back to a future Healthy and Safe Communities Committee with an analysis of the underlying causes for the current funding challenges experienced by our partner agencies and organizations and provide some potential actions that can be taken by the City directly or through advocacy with the provincial and federal governments to support the future sustainability of these agencies and organizations.

CARRIED

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# 6. Pilot Project for Accessible Tricycles/Four Wheelers at the Waterfront (Item 9.2)

# (Green/Jackson)

- (a) That staff be directed to report back to the Healthy & Safe Communities Committee on the feasibility of a pilot project to provide tricycles or fourwheelers at the waterfront to improve accessibility for seniors and people with disabilities;
- (b) That the report include the capital costs of purchasing ten tricycles or fourwheelers, to be located at the waterfront as part of the SoBi project, and open to other appropriate locations; and,
- (c) That the Seniors Advisory Committee and Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be invited to comment on the above-mentioned pilot project.

**CARRIED** 

#### FOR INFORMATION:

# (a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITY (Item A)

Paul Johnson congratulated Michael Sanderson, Chief of Hamilton Paramedic Services, on being awarded the International Association of Emergency Medical Services Chiefs / Intermedix Scholarship to Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government's Executive Education Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government.

Paul Johnson updated the Committee on the Fire Apparatus vehicle donations to the Nigigoonsiminikaaning First Nation community and the Couchiching First Nation community.

# (b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following change to the agenda:

# 1. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

10.1 Funding Requests from Agencies

### (Jackson/Farr)

That the Agenda for the June 25, 2018 meeting of the Healthy & Safe Communities Committee be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

# (c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None declared.

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# (d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

# (i) June 11, 2018 (Item 3.1)

# (Farr/Jackson)

That the Minutes of the June 11, 2018 Healthy & Safe Communities Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# (e) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

# (i) Funding Requests from Agencies (Added Item 10.1)

Councillor Jackson introduced a Notice of Motion respecting Funding Requests from Agencies.

# (Jackson/Green)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting Funding Requests from Agencies.

**CARRIED** 

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

# (ii) Pilot Project for Accessible Tricycles/Four Wheelers at the Waterfront (Added Item 10.2)

Councillor Green introduced a Notice of Motion respecting a Pilot Project for Accessible Tricycles/Four Wheelers at the Waterfront.

# (Farr/Jackson)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting a Pilot Project for Accessible Tricycles/Four Wheelers at the Waterfront.

**CARRIED** 

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 6.

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# (f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

# (Farr/Whitehead)

That, there being no further business, the Healthy & Safe Communities Committee be adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla Chair, Healthy & Safe Communities Committee

Lisa Chamberlain Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Monday, June 25, 2018 - 9:15 pm

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Healthy & Safe Communities (Previously

**Emergency & Community Services)** 

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Gage Hancharek

Name of Organization: PLURD Peace, Love, Unity, Respect,

Dignity

**Contact Number:** 

**Email Address:** 

**Mailing Address:** 

Reason(s) for delegation request: i want to make a commercial and start a movement dedicated to making people smarter and improving there lives with advice and wise teachings, this movement is called PLURD and stands for Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, and Dignity. My goal is to basically bless society and make sure everyone knows the meaning of life and what they can get out of it with a movement and commercial I want to also educate students and create anti bullying programs that they actually want to listen to I aim to fund this project by selling tee shirts and other merchandise with the PLURD logo. I want to teach and word this in such a way that people want to listen to me and understand why things need to change and how they can better there lives by being good people. I want to make sure people understand life and get the most out of it I want people who are dangerous and insane to see the light and want to

change so that our community's can be safer. So please consider letting me speak and getting my message of peace out there it will make the world a safer, smarter, happier and better place.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? Yes

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes



# Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes

6pm
Tuesday March 6, 2018
Meeting room 264
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

James O'Brien, Senior Project Manager Housing & Homelessness 905-546-2424 x 3728

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Present: Marie Raftis, Julia Verbitsky, Eileen Campbell, Sandy Leyland,

Elske de Visch Eybergen, Lance Dingman, Stephanie Greenaway, Councillor Collins, Yim Chung, Michael

Slusarenko

Absent with Regrets: Councillor Green, Chelsea MacDonald, Councillor

VanderBeek, Thomas Mobley, Obaid Shah, Tyson Benn,

Trevor Jaundoo

**Also Present:** 

### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes to the agenda

**CARRIED** 

(Greenaway/Leyland)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

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Minutes from February 6th - approved

**CARRIED** 

(Greenaway/Elske)

#### 4. Presentations

# 4.1 Coordinate access – Social Housing waitlist update – Tammy Morasse Presentation – Access to Housing

- Centralized wait list is mandated in the Housing Services Act, 2011, this
  provides accountability. Housing providers have direct access to updated
  wait lists.
- Applicants and community agencies have one central point of contact.
   This also provides data to help inform system planning
- Question portal housing fund does this include low-income seniors to apply – priority designation is required
- Province is moving towards portal housing models with new criteria
- Question is help available when people are moving locations what is available for assistance – ex. Last month rent required
- Question women in social housing under priority status is the portal benefit available to help move them if circumstances change
- Resources Housing Support Worker Complex concerns plus 3 Access to Housing Clerks – Administrative
- Comment Changes come quickly a bit confusing
  - Ex. Enhanced model How does the information flow to people who need the services and other agencies to gain understanding
    - Website Advisory Committee Action Table 40 sectors
    - Feedback on how to educate / communicate programs and changes
- 13,000 walk-ins per year / Access to Housing
- Question Current wait list how will program changes be communicated to those on the wait list – language barriers – changes – overwhelming – communication strategy
  - Communication has been set to everyone on the list, including signs posted at the old location directing individuals to 350 King St. East
- Five-priority status more housed than chronological order goal to increase housing stock and number of units. Most municipalities have three priority status
- New enhanced service will include:
  - Common allocation and supplementary forms
  - Maintenance of the centralized social housing waiting list
  - Standard eligibility criteria with established priority areas
  - Ensure individuals have accurate information to make informed choices about their housing options

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- Referrals to community resources
- o Supports to help people obtain and maintain housing
- Work closely with overhoused tenants and SPP applicants
- o Implement program and service integration enhancements
- End of operating agreements have a continued impact on our overall stock. Mitigation capital maintenance is used to encourage units staying on the list

# (Slusarenko/Raftis)

Motion: presentation to be received.

**CARRIED** 

# 4.2 Rising Star Presentation

### **Lance Dingman**

- Cooperative is a collective of Mental Health Consumer Survivors dedicated to the creation of supportive communications for Mental Health Consumers
- Housing first and then continued support Rising Star Peer Network of Support – Peer driven
- Question onsite assistance cameras and security services
- Cooperative housing options may provide opportunities to free up more housing stock
- Jobs and job skills training
- No peer driven cooperatives Rising Star is unique
- Start small mental health consumers
- Eight peer mentors in program
- Ideally capital component with co-op and peer to peer support for the consumers
- Rising Star is currently working towards incorporation
- Next steps including further collaboration with Kwanis Homes and John Howard Society with an overall focus of connecting people with programs coming from an institutional setting (healthcare or corrections)

# (Raftis/Leyland)

Motion: presentation to be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5. Discussion Items

# 5.1 Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee work plan – Working Group

#### 6. Motions

#### 7. Notice of Motions

# 8. New Business General Information / Business

- No meeting in April next meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in May
- Calendar is on the City website
- Guests can attend
- May priorities for next five years / direction
  - Advance materials to be sent
- Minutes for November 2017 going to Healthy and Safe Community

CARRIED

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

That, there being no further business, the Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee adjourn at.

CARRIED

(Slusarenko /Leyland)

Next meeting May 1, 2018 City Hall – Room 264 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

> Respectfully submitted, Julia Verbitsky Chair, Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee

Eileen Campbell Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee



# Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes

6pm
Tuesday May 1, 2018
Meeting room 264
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71 Main Street West, Hamilton

James O'Brien, Senior Project Manager Housing & Homelessness 905-546-2424 x 3728

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Present: Marie Raftis, Julia Verbitsky, Eileen Campbell, Sandy Leyland,

Lance Dingman, Stephanie Greenaway, Councillor Collins,

Thomas Mobley, Obaid Shah, Michael Slusarenko;,

Absent with Regrets: Elske de Visch Eybergen, Chelsea MacDonald, Councillor

VanderBeek, Trevor Jaundoo Yim Chung, Councillor Green

Also Present: Kirstin Maxwell

### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

#### 1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes to the agenda

**CARRIED** 

(Raftis / Greenaway)

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

3.1 Minutes from March 6 – approved with change to next meeting date from May 8 to May 1

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**CARRIED** 

(Raftis / Shah)

### 4. Presentations

# 4.1 Action Plan review presentation including overviews of:

- Housing services
  - Main areas of service are Housing Service System Management, and Housing supports.
  - Housing Services is the Service Manager which is a provincially mandated role.
  - Acts as the community entity for Federal homelessness funding
  - Work includes the oversite of 13,800 units
  - Over 6,000 households currently on the Access to Housing wait list
- Long term affordable housing strategy
  - Goals:
    - An appropriate and sustainable supply of housing
    - An equitable, portable system of financial assistance
    - People-centred, efficient housing programs
    - Developing an Indigenous Housing Strategy
    - Ending Homelessness
    - Achieving and evidence informed system
  - o Fair housing plan, areas of focus:
    - Addressing housing demand
    - Increasing housing supply
    - Protecting real estate consumers
    - Working with municipalities
    - Ensuring fairness and safety
- Provincial direction of the Housing and Homelessness Action Plan reviews
  - Accountability and outcomes
  - Goal of ending homelessness
  - Coordination with other community services
  - Indigenous Peoples
  - o A broad range of community needs
  - Non-Profit housing corporations and non-profit housing cooperatives
  - The Private Housing market
  - Climate Change and environmental sustainability
- National Housing Strategy
  - Housing rights are human rights
  - National housing co-investment fund
  - Maintaining a resilient community housing sector

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- New Canada housing benefit
- Making homelessness history
- Nothing about us, without us

Presentations to be provided after the meeting.

# (Leyland /Raftis)

Motion: presentation to be received.

**CARRIED** 

### 5. Discussion Items

# 5.1 Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee work plan – Working Group

#### 5. Motions

That the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee accept the resignation of Tyson Benn, and that he be removed as a member of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee.

(Greenway/Mobley)

### 7. Notice of Motions

### 8. General Information / Other Business

# 8.1 Roundtable updates

- Point in time Connection event was a successful event, everyone is invited to the community debrief on Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> 1pm-3pm in Council Chambers.
- The City is launching the down payment assistance program on Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Information was emailed out to the committee.
- Hamilton is hosting the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness Conference in November.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

That, there being no further business, the Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee adjourn at.

**CARRIED** 

(Mobley/Leyland)

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Next meeting June 4, 2018 City Hall – Room 264 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

> Respectfully submitted, Julia Verbitsky Chair, Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee

James O'Brien Senior Project Manager Housing Services Division



# Meeting Minutes Seniors Advisory Committee Friday, May 4, 2018 10:00am – 12:00pm Rooms 192/193, City Hall

Present: Bob Thomson (Chair), Emmy Weisz, John Winslow,

Penelope Petrie, Margaret Cheyne, Karen Thomson, Mary Sinclair, Paula Kilburn, Carolann Fernandes, Barry Spinner, Dahlia Petgrave. Lou DeStephanis, Marjorie Wahlman, John

Kennard, Doug Stone, George Hough

**Regrets:** Councillor Johnson, Councillor Jackson, Jeanne Mayo,

Ramanath Kamath.

Also

**Present:** Jessica Bowen (Human Rights, Diversity & Inclusion)

Eleanor Morton (Healthy and Safe Communities)

Liz Conti (Public Health)

Lisa Maychak (Age Friendly Hamilton, Healthy and Safe

Communities)

Guests: Rosalind Tarrant, Vice President Health System Strategy and

Integration

Maggie Irving, Manager, Stakeholder Relations & Community

Engagement

Margaret Denton, John Hawker, Tim Murphy, Tom Manzuk

# 1. Changes to the Agenda

(P. Petrie / C. Fernandes)

Agenda approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# 2. Approval of Minutes

(J. Winslow / E. Weisz)

Minutes approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### 3. Presentations

- 3.1 Rosalind Tarrant, VP Health System Strategy and Integration Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)
- R. Tarrant shared information with the committee related to the work of the LHIN. At the start of the presentation R. Tarrant requested Committee members consider responses to the following questions:
  - 1. What are your top three priorities when it comes to your own health care?
  - 2. What do you think is working well in our health care system?
  - 3. What do you see as your responsibility when it comes to your own health?
- R. Tarrant indicated that the LHIN is an integrated system at the local level. There are 14 LHINs and each is unique in that it meets the meets of the communities.

Committee members posed the following questions and comments in response to the content shared:

**Q**: What is the number of citizens served?

**A**: There are 1.4 million people in the LHIN; 7,000 square kilometres are covered

- The care patterns provided by the LHIN are smaller and at a more localised level;
- There is a gap in services for migrant workers;
- The 65+ population accounts for 18% of the population in the area the LHIN covers;
- There is a high percentage of people who are reporting poor overall health, weight and obesity.

**Q**: How is the system audited?

**A**: There is an annual financial statement. These statements are monitored on a quarterly basis.

**Q**: Are there "inspectors" for long term care?

**A**: Yes. they do quarterly visits. Long term care is heavily regulated.

Q: How long are the waitlists for a long-term care home?

A: The waitlist depends on multiple factors such as:

- What long-term care home you choose;
- The urgency of your situation;
- The needs of the individual.

The LHIN website identifies the average time on a waitlist. It also covers eligibility. If you refuse an opening you will lose your spot on the waitlist.

**Q**: Does income factor into long-term care homes?

**A:** They do look at income; subsidized options may be available to those who fall within certain income thresholds.

**Q:** How did the program come to be?

**A**: In 2014, we met with hospitals and reviewed the number of patients who were waiting to be discharged but were not able to return to their own homes for various reasons, i.e. their homes have stairs; their financial situation changes, the person has lost strength and function during time spent at hospital.

We developed a setting to have transitional beds available to help support patients as they build up strength to enable them to return home. There are 207 transitional beds in the LHIN, 133 of these beds in Hamilton. The LHIN program started in Hamilton.

Q: Are efforts made to keep person in their homes?A: The transitional model will have services that meet individual needs, it can provide 24-hour care.

The LHIN can fund the supports that go into supportive housing which allows for unscheduled care. The assisted living program currently supports 35 to 40 people.

There is a desire for people to stay in their own homes. There is a large area of focus to find the right level of care for people

**Q**: Upon leaving the hospital, are we doing anything for those who are discharged in terms of an emergency response system?

**A**: St. Joseph's health care system uses an internal call care model. It started on those who had thoracic surgery. Those patients had access to Personal Support Workers (PSW) and Nurses 24 hours a day for a certain length of time. The program was them expanded to patients with chronic, obstructed lung disease and the across all hospitals for those with COPD and heart failure.

When discharged there was coordinate care and access to the provision of services.

The communication can occur over the phone, there is no push button device.

**Q**: What about when dealing with population that is technology adverse?

**A**: The technology can connect individuals with Paramedic Services and there is the ability to assist people remotely. New medicines can be faxed to a doctor, the change can occur efficiently without an individual having to go to see their doctor.

There are Community Paramedics who can go in daily

**Q**: How was it determined where LHIN would be located as the geographic centre not based on highest number of people. **A:** LHIN planned the centres in response to the needs of community (LHIN + CCAC). The LHIN's Central office is in Grimsby and there are offices in Haldimand, Brantford, Niagara, Burlington, Hamilton.

The LHIN also has a 12-person patient advisory board and members of the board are appointed with recommendation from the board.

# (G.Hough / P.Kilburn)

To receive the presentation from the LHIN.

CARRIED

# 4. Business / Discussion Items

# **4.1** Budget

J.Bowen shared with the Committee that as of March 2018, the Committee has spent \$233.00 on meeting supplies. Additional funds that have been approved by the Committee such as support for the Seniors Award Nominator/Nominee reception are drawing on funds from the reserve as these financial contributions were within the scope of SAC's 2018 budget

# 5. Working Groups/Committees

# a) SAC - Housing Working Group (M. Sinclair)

M. Sinclair shared that the working group is working on a final draft of the Housing Guidebook. The group will be finishing their review and will take the document to the Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities in June.

# b) SAC – Getting Around Hamilton Working Group (J. Mayo)

P. Petrie provided an update in J. Mayo's absence. In collaboration with the Council on Aging, GAHWG has engaged in several sessions called "Let's Get Moving." The sessions include

"Let's take a bus," "Let's take a walk," "Let's take a bike." The bike workshops start in June.

- J. Mayo had engaged in conversation with HSR on several items related to getting around the City. HSR will not consider the possibility of transit service to the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre. A bus will not be available for the "Let's take a bus" workshop.
- c) SAC Communications Working Group (B. Thomson)
  B.Thomson reported that the SAC handout has been reviewed and revised. The document will be available for the kick-off event.
- d) Age Friendly Plan Governance Committee (J. Mayo)
  No report at this time.
- e) Older Adult Network (D. Stone)
  No report at this time.
- f) International Day of Older Persons Committee (D. Stone)
  No report at this time.
- g) Seniors at Risk Community Collaboration (SARRC) (K. Thomson)

No report at this time.

h) McMaster Institute of Research on Aging (E. Weisz)

A collaborative event from ThriveGroup-AbleLiving and MIRA entitled "Able Aging: What aging with a disability means for patients and caregivers" is scheduled for Wednesday, May 16, 2018. 1:00pm-2:30pm at The Atrium, McMaster Innovation Park, 175 Longwood Road South.

i) Ontario Health Coalition (C. Fernandes)

C.Fernandes advised of questions provided by the Ontario Health Coalition that the Committee could ask to candidates related to health care. (http://www.ontariohealthcoalition.ca/wp-content/uploads/questions-for-candidates-1.pdf). These questions are included below:

- "1. The evidence is overwhelming that Ontario's hospital cuts have gone too far. Ontario's public hospitals are funded at among the lowest rates in Canada. Our province has the fewest hospital beds per person in the Canada. We are also at almost the bottom among OECD nations -- all nations with a developed economy: only Mexico and Chile have fewer beds per person than Ontario. We have the least amount of nursing care (RN & RPN) in Canada, and patients are pushed out of hospital faster and with more complex health issues. As a result, Ontario has the highest rate of hospital readmissions in Canada and overcrowding has reached crisis levels with patients on stretchers in hallways, long wait times, closed ORs, packed emergency departments, ambulances taken off the road in lengthy offload delays as there are no beds to admit patients into. Will you commit to increasing public hospital funding by 5.3 per cent per year for the next four years to protect services and to immediately creating a capacity plan to reopen closed beds, wards, operating rooms and services to meet population need for care? Further, will you restore and reopen closed and privatized outpatient services in our local public hospitals?
- 2. There is consensus among virtually all groups, from residents and families to seniors' advocates and public interest groups, to care workers, health professionals, nurses and their unions that improving long-term care relies on providing enough care to meet the more complex and heavier care needs of today's long-term care homes' residents. Will you commit to bringing a minimum average of 4-hours hands-on nursing and personal care per resident per day as a measurable and accountable minimum care standard for Ontario's long-term care homes? As of December 2017, there are 34,000 people waiting for long-term care space in Ontario's long-term care homes. Will you commit to building new long-term care capacity in public and non-profit long-term care homes to meet this need?

- 3. Ontario's home care services are deeply privatized and as a result, significant resources are spent on duplicate administrations, offices, computer systems, scheduling, contracting and monitoring of private companies selling home care for profit. This money should go to improving access to care. Will you commit to creating a public non-profit home care system to address this situation?
- 4. Control over our public hospitals has shifted with boards of directors becoming self-appointed, consultants replacing sound public planning, and massive mergers moving care further away from our home communities. Will you reform our public hospitals to restore democratic community governance and locally-elected hospital boards? Will you stop the megamergers of hospitals and ensure that public funding goes to care?
- 5. In the last two decades, Ontario has built our new hospitals using a privatized "P3" private-public partnership model. In this model, private multinational consortia fund and build our hospitals. The costs are much higher than if our hospitals were publicly funded. In fact, Ontario's Auditor General reports that \$8 billion could have been saved if our hospitals were build using traditional public finance and sound management. Today, P3 hospitals are so expensive that 2 or 3 or more hospitals are closed down to build one new one, too small to meet the needs of local communities for the next generation. Billions have been taken away for care and local access as a result. Will you commit to stopping the P3 privation of our hospitals?
- 6. Ontario has led the country in reforming primary care to get more physicians into group practices, establishing nurse-practitioner clinics, and expanding the number of Community Health Centres and Aboriginal Health Centres. But there are still many communities without access to care, and primary care remains dominated by private for-profit models of care. For many years, advocates have pushed for full primary care reform, including the full range of health professionals (from physiotherapists and social workers to nurse practitioners and others) in the health care team, public and non-profit governance

and a move away from fee-for-service payment. The Ontario Health Coalition supports the expansion of public community primary care models that promote equity and access to health such as Community and Aboriginal Health Centres. Will you commit to improving funding and access to public non-profit primary care, and stopping corporate-owned and private clinics for Ontarians and could you give us your specific commitments on this?"

# j) Our Future Hamilton update (P.Petrie)

No update at this time.

# k) Senior of the Year Award (P. Petrie)

P.Petrie shared that tickets for the Awards Gala Event & Ceremony on June 12, 2018 are available for sale at all municipal centres and at Sackville. The Awards Gala Event & Ceremony will be held at Michelangelo's.

# 6. Business / Discussion Items

- **6.1** Committee members advised that ACPD Transportation group is looking into accessible transit services to improve hospital access. There is a notable distance from the bus stop to the hospital and bus stop. Furthermore, DARTS have been ticketed outside the Hamilton General Hospital.
- **6.2** The Advisory Committee for People With Disabilities is hosting a Roundtable Event on May 28, 2018. Invitations have been extended to a number of services providers in the City. Sac members were invited to attend. The event runs from 1:00pm-3:00pm in Room 192 and 193 at City Hall.
- **6.3** Committee Members were advised that they will be in invited to a tour of Sackville Recreation Centre once the hearing loops have been installed. The installer will also be present for the tour to answer any questions about the loops and/or the installation that may arise.

- B.Spinner suggested extending an invitation to the Canadian Hard of Hearing Hamilton Chapter.
- **6.4** M.Sinclair advised the group that she had become aware through a news advertisement about a health refund. The content of the ad did not sound legitimate and she inquired about it with the Hamilton Police. She was advised that the service is a legitimate business and that you pay them to complete the application for disability credit. If you receive a refund the business takes 30% of it.

# 7. Adjournment

(P.Kilburn/C.Fernandes)

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm

**Next Meeting** 

Friday, June 1, 2018



# **MINUTES**

### **Hamilton Veterans Committee**

**Tuesday, May 22, 2018** 

Room 192 - City Hall

**Present:** Chair: Dave Steckham

Members: Geordie Elms, Councillor B. Johnson, Dan Muir, Rod

Paddon, Bob Fyfe

Absent with Regrets:

Marko Babic, Councillor Pasuta, Art Tompkins, Keven Ellis

Vice Chair: Ed Sculthorpe

Also Present: Mike Leatham – Guest

Terry Ryan – Guest Bill Cumming – Guest

Brydie Huffman, Staff Liaison to HVC, Tourism and Culture Division Lee-Anne Dantzer, Admin Assistant, Tourism and Culture Division

### 1. CHANGES TO AGENDA -

• Guest Speaker Ed Penner. RE: First World War commemorations in France (did not attend).

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(no minutes to approve)

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(n/a)

## 5. STANDING ITEMS (includes all HVC hosted events)

- **5.1 Decoration Day** Sunday, June 10, 2018 ~ Hamilton Cemetery
- Please see attachments (Update (1-4), and Cemetery Map).

# Update Handout:

### Cadets:

a. Please provide Brydie with numbers for ordering food.

# Flowers, Flags and Rocks:

- a. When flowers and flags are placed, rocks painted by children from the Military Museum will also be placed. There are more rocks that can be used next year.
- b. 300 red Carnation flowers will be ordered.
- c. Meet at section J for supplies (flowers, flags and rocks). Pizza will be there as well.

# • Program for Service:

- a. Act of Remembrance will be done by Bob Fyfe.
- b. Bugler will be Warrant Officer Forester, 779 Squadron.
- c. Councillor Brenda Johnson to speak.

# Day of Roles:

- Parking- Bob Fyfe and Mike Leathan. Police will be hired to assist with traffic at the front gate.
- b. Two buses- one for Veterans and one for Cadets. Brydie will update driving instructions for ease of drop off.
- c. Note there will be a need for drop offs and other parking accommodations for those with extra needs.
- d. Parade Routes- Cadets will come from the N/E and Veterans will come from the West. Veterans will form between Y and W and then march to the triangle. Cadets will form at J and march along to the Cenotaph. Cadets will leave from the South side of T and then back around to J.
- e. Lying of the wreaths will be at the Wall of Honor.
- f. Chairs, tables, garbage pails, food will be at J.
- g. MC will announce at the end of service to go to Military Museum. Admission is free. Passes will be handed out at station J.

- Silver cross mother wreath will be brought and identified at the time.
- Let Brydie know of any assigned seating.
- List of Cadet Corps to be provided to Brydie.
- Scheduled visit to the Cemetery on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 3pm for a walk about. Brydie will ask Cemetery staff to join as well.

# **5.2** Dieppe Memorial – Sunday, August 19, 2018

 Update: Special Event Permit is in, Brydie to attend RHLI Planning meeting in June for the event.

# 5.3 Remembrance Day

- This year events will all be on one day. Rod Paddon is to write Parade Order.
- RHLI is in charge this year.

# 5.4 City of Hamilton Updates

### Gore Park events-

- o Flags have been replaced in the park.
- Film companies have requests to use space. Brydie will inform them that a formal letter to the Veterans Committee with details will be submitted. Issues will be brought to the attention of the Veterans Committee if there are issues.
- Discussion- What kind of movie is important. Do not dishonor the area. Brydie to ask if a percentage can be set aside for upkeep of the area.

# Vimy Oaks-

 Police Chief Glen DeClaire is handling this. Will be planted by the Bayfront Pavilion

# Ordering of buses for veterans events-

 Please tell Brydie how many and give plenty of notice before they are announced to any groups. Although council has waived fees for veterans events, the orders to transit department take quite a bit of paperwork.

### 5.5 Guest speaker: Ed Penner

RE: First World War commemorations in France (did not attend).

# 6. NEW BUSINESS - HAMILTON VETERANS COMMITTEE

None

# 7. ROUNDTABLE - HVC meeting dates for 2018

- Decoration Day pictures to be included in the Garrison Newsletter.
   Also on the Veterans Committee Facebook page.
- Hamilton Navy Vets is officially closed and was sold.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

(Brenda / Geordie)

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 24, 2018

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Room 192, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, City Hall



# Decoration Day: Update for May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting

# 1) Cadets

Cadet corps that have confirmed attendance:

- 150 Tiger squadron (Capt. Corey Chapman)
- 2865 Hamilton-Wentworth Artillery Cadet Battery, (Lisa Winchester, Chair of the Support Committee)
- Air Cadet League (Bill Cumming)
- Stoney Creek Air Cadet Squadron
- Need to finalize numbers for ordering flowers and food
- Cadets need maps and sections allocating military graves

### 2) Flowers, Flags and Rocks

- Poppy rocks need to be moved from Dundurn Castle and brought to cemetery
- Carnation bundles to be distributed to cadets
- Canadian flags to be placed at all graves

### 3) Program for Service

Review program to go to print

- Speakers
- Cadet involvement
- Officiants

### 4) Day of Roles

- Will need HVC members to act as traffic and crowd control
- Will need to inform the public and cadets where they will need to park (at the sides of the lanes)
- Understand the parade routes for both cadets and veterans
- Laying of the wreaths; to be done at cenotaph or at the Wall of Remembrance adjacent to cenotaph? This is need directions to participants as well
- Station for distributing flowers and flags

#### **ROLES:**

Parking/Directions: Keven, Bob Fyfe

**VSL/Veterans' parade**: Dan, Rod, Bob Sweika **Cadet Parade**: Geordie, Terry Ryan, Bill Cumming

Wreath Coordinating: Ed

MC: Dave

Flower/Flag Distribution: Brydie



# CITY OF HAMILTON HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT Housing Services Division

то:	Chair and Members Healthy & Safe Communities Committee	
COMMITTEE DATE:	August 15, 2018	
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Homeownership Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) (HSC18041) (City Wide)	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide	
PREPARED BY:	Marjorie Walker (905) 546-2424 Ext. 4837	
SUBMITTED BY:	Vicki Woodcox Acting Director, Housing Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department	
SIGNATURE:		

## RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate be authorized and directed to deliver and administer a municipal Down Payment Assistance Program in accordance with the program guidelines attached as Appendix A to Report HSC18041, funded through the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009);
- (b) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate be authorized to approve and execute any agreements and ancillary documentation, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and content satisfactory the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, that are required to deliver and administer a municipal Down Payment Assistance Program;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate be authorized to review and amend the maximum purchase price and the maximum household income level established in the Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program guidelines a minimum of every three years to reflect changes in the housing market; and,
- (d) That the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) balance of \$366,292 be renamed and the purpose updated to reflect the Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program.

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In June 2014, staff identified seven reserves that could be allocated or better used to fulfil the goals identified in the City's Housing & Homelessness Action Plan (Report CS11017(d)).

At that time, the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) had a balance of \$335,265. The sources of funding for the Home Start Program were two municipal programs that ended – the Hamilton Convert to Rent Program and the Housing Hamilton Innovations Fund.

Staff committed to investigating a better use for the reserve, taking into account priorities identified in the City's Housing & Homelessness Action Plan and any funding pressures in existing program areas, and report back to Emergency & Community Services Committee.

Given the success of the Investment in Affordable Housing – Extension Program (IAH-E) Homeownership Component, which funded five iterations of the Down Payment Assistance Program (DPAP), staff recommend that the balance in the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) be used to deliver a municipal Down Payment Assistance Program, identical to the IAH-E Homeownership Component, and administered in accordance with the program guidelines.

It is expected that the Home Start Program Reserve, when repurposed will assist a minimum of eight households.

## Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

## FINANCIAL - STAFFING - LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

## Financial:

The Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) currently holds a balance of \$366,292. The full balance of the reserve is proposed to be used for a municipal Down Payment Assistance Program modelled after the IAH-E Homeownership Component. The program is sustainable through repayments which are reinvested into a revolving loan fund to be used to provide down payment assistance for other eligible households.

## Staffing:

There are no staffing implications associated with Report HSC18041.

## Legal:

There are no legal implications associated with Report HSC18041.

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## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

In December 2013, Hamilton City Council endorsed a 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan for Hamilton (Report CS11017(c)). At that time, Council directed staff to report back to Emergency & Community Services Committee with a plan to use existing housing related reserve accounts for implementation of the Action Plan.

In June 2014, staff reported on the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) (Report CS11017(d)) which had a balance of \$335,265. The sources of funding were two municipal programs - the Hamilton Convert to Rent Program and the Housing Hamilton Innovations Fund (funded from a mix of levy and non-levy reserves). These two programs ended after the introduction of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing and Investment in Affordable Housing Programs lessened the need for the City to deliver and implement these programs.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

A municipal Down Payment Assistance Program satisfies Strategy 2.3, (Increase homeownership for renters) of the Housing & Homelessness Action Plan.

## **RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

Given that the original intent of the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) was to assist social housing tenants with homeownership, CityHousing Hamilton staff were consulted, and their input informed the recommendations and background of Report HSC180041.

Staff from Finance, Corporate Services were consulted to confirm the reserve account balance.

Legal Services was consulted to provide any advice and feedback given their participation in the IAH-E DPAP process.

## ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

IAH-E Homeownership Component

The Homeownership Component of the IAH-E provides down payment assistance to households currently meeting their rent and shelter costs but struggling to save the down payment necessary to purchase a home. The program has been delivered successfully through five iterations, (the most recent launched May 2018) with close to 290 households in Hamilton receiving a down payment assistance forgivable loan over the life of the program.

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The Homeownership Component of the IAH-E provides multiple benefits. It enables low and moderate-income households to purchase a home and thus increase their housing stability; enables the accumulation of equity which helps households improve their financial situation over the long term; and frees up valuable rental housing for other households.

The down payment assistance is in the form of a 20-year forgivable loan. If the program participant no longer meets the program requirements prior to 20 years (for example, selling the home, defaulting of the mortgage, no longer using the home as their principal residence, or renting the home to another occupant), the loan is repaid to the City of Hamilton along with a percentage of the capital gains. These funds are deposited into a revolving home ownership reserve (Account #112254). Under Provincial requirements, the funds in the reserve must be reinvested only for future down payment assistance programs. The last two iterations of the DPAP were solely supported by the reserve fund with no levy implication.

Report CS11017(d) directed that the revolving loan fund be drawn down whenever the balance reaches \$200,000. To satisfy this direction, staff will maintain a waitlist of eligible applicants who will be invited to participate in the DPAP as funds become available or the revolving loan fund approaches \$200,000. Eligible applicants on the waitlist will be contacted when funds become available, on a first come, first served basis. Those who are not ready at the time of contact will remain on the list. This approach will allow the IAH-E DPAP to be on-going, rather than launching a new program every three years.

## Home Start Program Reserve

The Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) was created to provide down payment assistance to CityHousing Hamilton tenants to purchase a home. The sources of funding for the reserve were two municipal programs (the Hamilton Convert to Rent Program and the Housing Hamilton Innovations Fund) that ended with the introduction of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program (COAHP).

The Home Start Program was created in 2006 as a homeownership down payment initiative between the City of Hamilton, Scotiabank, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the REALTORS Association of Hamilton-Burlington and Threshold School of Building to promote affordable homeownership opportunities to CityHousing Hamilton tenants. The core principle of Hamilton Home Start Program was that the City provided a matching credit on savings contributed by the participant to a certain maximum on an annual basis for a maximum period of three years; however, households struggled to 'match' the savings and the program, having had limited success, is no longer active.

More recent down payment assistance programs do not require a matching contribution. COAHP and IAH home ownership programs are much better suited for households with low-incomes.

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The reserve has a balance of \$366,292 which can now be repurposed into a municipal Down Payment Assistance Program.

## Municipal DPAP

Given the benefits and success of the IAH-E Homeownership Component and its alignment with the Home Start Program in providing down payment assistance, staff recommend that the balance in the Home Start Program Reserve (#112009) be used to deliver a municipal down payment assistance program, referred as the Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program (MDPAP). This program would be identical to the IAH-E Homeownership Component and administered in accordance with similar program guidelines.

With changes in the housing market it is recommended that the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department be authorized to review and amend the maximum purchase price and the maximum household income level for the MDPAP a minimum of every three years.

The wait list of eligible applications for the IAH-E Homeownership Component could be used for the newly created MDPAP. The program criteria and eligibility for the two programs will be the same so a single pool of eligible applicants can supply both programs.

## ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

## ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 - 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

## **Healthy and Safe Communities**

Hamilton is a safe and supportive city where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

## APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A to Report HSC18041: Program Guidelines for the Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program



## Appendix A to Repo ମଣ୍ଡ ମିଣ୍ଡ ଦିଃ ଦିଃ ଦିଃ ଦିଃ Page 1 of 5

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## Hamilton Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program Guidelines (2018)

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## Background

The Housing and Homelessness Action Plan includes strategies that ensure affordability and a range of housing options for low to moderate income households in Hamilton. Action Plan Strategy 2.3 recommends down payment assistance programs to increase homeownership opportunities for renters, enhancing affordability for households with financial barriers to homeownership.

Recent federal legislation aimed at cooling the housing market has made it more difficult to qualify for a mortgage by establishing a higher interest rate threshold for mortgage approval. Borrowers must now pass a stress test when prequalifying for a mortgage by qualifying for a 2% higher interest rate than the current interest rate. The stress test is to ensure that purchasers will still be able to afford their mortgage payments if interest rates increase at renewal time. This test also means borrowers will qualify for less financing and there will be fewer low-moderate income earners qualifying for a mortgage.

These challenges, as well as current market indicators, were considered in the development of the 2018 Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program (MDPAP), including eligibility criteria. The new criteria reflects the current housing market.

## **Program Description**

The Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program provides down payment assistance to households currently meeting their rent and shelter costs but struggling to accumulate the down payment necessary to purchase a home.

## **Program Benefits**

There are benefits that result from homeownership not only for the individual household, but for the broader community, including:

- 1. Social housing (rent-geared-to-income) units are made available for other households on the social housing waiting list as a result of households moving into homeownership, and market rental units are made available to new renters;
- 2. Enables households to build assets and personal wealth;
- 3. Increases the demand for lower cost ownership housing options by increasing the pool of potential first-time homebuyers with moderate incomes;
- 4. Increases citizen engagement and participation in the community; and,
- 5. Demonstrates City leadership by focusing on pragmatic, cost-effective initiatives that make a tangible difference in addressing affordable housing concerns.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

## The Applicant(s):

- 1. must be over the age of 18
- 2. must have rented in Hamilton for at least the last 6 months
- 3. must not currently own a home or property
- 4. must be a legal resident of Canada and intend to have this home as their one and only residence
- 5. must be pre-approved for a mortgage from a Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) approved lender
- 6. must not be in a spousal relationship (including a same-sex spousal relationship) with a person that has any form of interest in ownership of a property

## **Home Type on Property:**

 The Property being purchased may only contain a single detached dwelling, semidetached dwelling, apartment condominium dwelling unit, townhouse dwelling or row house dwelling. Mobile homes and co-op units are not eligible dwellings for this program. (Home inspections are required)

## **Purchase Price**

The purchase price of the Property must not exceed \$375, 000. This home price threshold is to be reviewed every three (3) years by the Investment in Affordable Housing Program Manager, Housing Services Division or earlier, if the housing market changes significantly, and the guidelines updated accordingly and approved by the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department.

## **Maximum Household Income:**

The maximum household income will be \$80,000. This income threshold is to be reviewed every three (3) years or earlier by the Investment in Affordable Housing Program Manager, Housing Services Division, if the housing market changes significantly, with the guidelines updated accordingly and approved by the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department.

#### **Loan Conditions**

All applicants will submit a completed MDPAP application form, identification information, income and financial documents in a format acceptable to the City in its absolute discretion,

and any other documentation or evidence the City may require, to evaluate the loan application.

All applicants receiving approval for a City down payment assistance forgivable loan under the MDPAP shall be required to enter into a Loan Agreement with the City with provisions including but not limited to the terms and conditions set out herein.

The down payment is in the form of a 20-year forgivable loan in the maximum amount of 10% of the purchase price of the home.

The City's loan must be secured by a mortgage registered on the title of the Property being purchased which can only be lesser in priority to a mortgage securing the primary financing of the purchase of the Property. However, in certain extenuating circumstances, determined by the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department in his sole, absolute and unfettered discretion, the City may postpone its mortgage to third priority position.

On the date of closing, the City of Hamilton will provide a cheque for the borrower, to the borrower's lawyer. Additionally, the City of Hamilton, Legal Services Division will require an Undertaking (prepared by the City and sent to the borrower's lawyer for signature) confirming that certain documents will be provided to the City within thirty (30) days of closing. These documents will include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 1. an opinion letter regarding title (please note that title insurance is not accepted in lieu of an opinion letter),
- 2. confirmation of a valid and enforceable second Charge/Mortgage,
- 3. a copy of the Status Certificate issued by a Condominium Corporation disclosing that there are no arrears or orders as may affect the Unit (if applicable),
- 4. an Acknowledgment re: Receipt of Standard Charge Terms,
- 5. a Declaration that the property will be owner occupied and used as a single-family dwelling,
- 6. photocopies of two (2) pieces of identification for each Borrower, and
- 7. a copy of the registered Transfer/Deed of Land and first Charge/Mortgage.

If the program participants no longer meet all program requirements prior to 20 years, excepting the maximum home price and income level, the loan is repaid to the City of Hamilton along with 10% percent of any capital gains. This repayment requirement is outlined in the agreement between the City of Hamilton and the homeowner (10%).

## **Conditions for Repayment**

The original down payment assistance loan amount plus 10% of any capital appreciation must be repaid to the Revolving Loan Fund if the following situations occur while the loan is outstanding:

 There is a disposition of the Property including but not limited to a sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance, lease, license, any indebtedness of the loan recipient secured by a mortgage registered on title to the Property other than the mortgage whose purposes was to secure the purchase of the Property, registration of a Charge or other transaction or disposition of any nature or kind whatsoever in respect of the Property or of any right, title or interest in or to the Property;

- 2. The Property or a portion thereof is rented to another person;
- 3. The loan recipient is in breach or default of any agreement or security in respect of any other financing secured on the Property;
- 4. The unit is no longer the sole and principal residence of the loan recipient;
- The loan recipient becomes bankrupt or insolvent;
- 6. The loan recipient misrepresented their eligibility for the program;
- 7. The loan recipient used the proceeds of the loan for a purpose other than the acquisition of the unit;
- 8. In the case of the death of both debtors named on the Agreement, only the principal amount of the loan must be repaid by the estate;
- The death of one loan recipient. However, the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department at his or her sole, absolute and unfettered discretion, may evaluate the ability of the remaining debtor to carry the home and whether the loan will be at risk and waive this repayment requirement;
- 10. Change in spousal relationship:
  - a) If the loan recipient(s) divorces or their spousal relationship is terminated. However, the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department, at his or her sole, absolute and unfettered discretion, may determine whether repayment is required, based on considerations including, but not limited to, whether the loan is at risk, or any potential for undue hardship for loan recipient(s).
  - b) A new marriage or spousal relationship of the loan recipient. If the new partner does not want to be added to the title of the home, it is not necessary to sign an appending agreement. If the new spouse or partner wishes to be added to the title of the home, the newly formed household must meet the eligibility criteria prior to signing an amending loan agreement. If the newly formed household does not meet the eligibility criteria, the loan may be recalled at the discretion of the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department. (This may arise if the second spouse/partner is required to be on title of the home for the purposes of renewing a mortgage or refinancing);
- 11. Home Insurance Cancellation / Expiry: The borrower must have home insurance in good standing;
- 12. Municipal taxes must be in good standing;
- 13. Postponements: As a condition of advancing funds, institutional lenders will require that the City of Hamilton agree to postpone the current mortgage and remain in second position. In the event that equity is being removed from the property, the City may postpone its mortgage to second place, provided the Investment in Affordable Housing Program Manager performs the due diligence to ensure there is sufficient equity in the home to cover both the first mortgage and the down payment assistance loan; and,
- 14. Property standards orders to comply: If there is, as determined by the City in its sole, absolute, and unfettered discretion, a violation of any law in respect of the Property, including but not limited to the Ontario Fire Code, Building Code, any City zoning bylaw, and any City property standards by-law, the down payment assistance loan will be recalled. However, the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department may in his sole, absolute and unfettered discretion waive this repayment requirement.

## Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

A RLF is to be established from repayments to the MDPAP and used to provide future down payment assistance to prospective homebuyers.

## **Documentation Required for Records**

The Housing Services Division is responsible for retaining the following documents over the life of the program:

## Eligibility information:

- The signed application form, including a declaration that all information is accurate
- The notice of assessment for all members of the household
- Copies of photo identification
- Unit eligibility information and home inspection

## Loan information:

- Agreements of Purchase and Sale
- Loan agreement and independent legal counsel documentation
- Mortgage registration documentation
- Title search

## Payment documents and default actions:

- Records of all payments and defaults
- Confirmation of compliance with the terms of the Loan Agreement (e.g., letter confirming that the unit remains the sole and principal residence of the eligible purchaser)
- Record of any defaults

## **Additional Program Terms**

Approval of the loan application is at the absolute discretion of the City and subject to the availability of funds.

The City's loan must be registered as the second mortgage after registration of any mortgage securing the primary financing (first mortgage). A household may not have a guarantor on title, nor may a household have a co-signer on title that will not be living in the home. If a household requires additional financing, that mortgage will be registered as the third mortgage, after the City's loan.

The Municipal Down Payment Assistance Program cannot be stacked with any other government down payment assistance programs but households may utilize other affordable housing programs such as renovation programs.



## INFORMATION REPORT

ТО:	Chair and Members Healthy and Safe Communities Committee	
COMMITTEE DATE:	August 15, 2018	
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Correspondence from the Ministry of Housing re: re- introduction of the Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016 (Bill 7) (HSC18043) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide	
PREPARED BY:	Kirstin Maxwell (905) 546-2424 Ext. 3846	
SUBMITTED BY:	Vicki Woodcox Acting Director, Housing Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department	
SIGNATURE:		

## **Council Direction:**

On November 21, 2016, the Emergency and Community Services Committee directed staff to "investigate if Bill 7, *Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016*, will affect existing Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding and shift existing dollars to private sector entities, or if Bill 7 will be tied to a new announcement of provincial funding for housing, with a report back to E&CS Committee."

## Information:

The *Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016* (Bill 7) amended three pieces of legislation pertaining to housing: the *Housing Services Act, 2011*; the *Planning Act*, and the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*.

- The Housing Services Act changes require housing service managers to conduct enumeration of people experiencing homelessness, something the City of Hamilton has done since 2014; transfer the authority to provide consent for certain decisions regarding social housing providers, their land, and mortgages from the Province to service managers; and broaden the ways in which service managers can meet rent-geared-to-income service level standards.
- The Planning Act changes were to enable municipalities to implement inclusionary zoning, which requires affordable housing units to be included in residential developments; make any by-laws regarding both inclusionary zoning and

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- secondary units un-appealable; and prohibit municipalities from charging development charges for second units.
- The Residential Tenancies Act, 2006 changes clarify that rent-geared-to income tenants cannot be evicted if their incomes increase; and require municipalities to address maintenance standards issues in a rental unit or residential complexes.

November 9, 2016 a letter from Minister of Housing Chris Ballard was presented to Council. The letter noted that the government had re-introduced the *Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016* (Bill 7), that "if passed would help ensure that the people of Ontario have better access to affordable and adequate housing. This includes an even stronger emphasis on the role that private sector housing can play in providing a mix and range of affordable housing choices for Ontarians."

The remainder of the Ballard letter pertained to the importance of second dwelling units, sometimes referred to as accessory apartments, in addressing the lack of affordable housing. The development of new second dwelling units is one way in which the private sector can contribute to increasing affordable housing choices for Canadians. Bill 7 encourages the development of second dwelling units by removing the ability of municipalities to charge development charges on them, and making by-laws and municipal decisions pertaining to second units un-appealable by everyone except the Minister.

The second way in which Bill 7 encouraged the private sector to increase the mix and range of affordable housing choices is by giving municipalities the option to implement inclusionary zoning, which requires affordable housing units to be included in residential developments. The *Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016* was enabling legislation and the detailed requirements have been set out in Ontario Regulation 232/18. The regulation gives municipalities wide latitude in implementing inclusionary zoning.

None of these legislative changes have the effect of shifting existing affordable housing funding dollars from the public sector to private sector entities. There is no provincial funding specifically associated with second dwelling units or inclusionary zoning, nor is any expected. The Investment in Affordable Housing – Extension Ontario Renovates Program has always allowed municipalities to provide renovation funding to promote the development of second dwelling units.

The only new funding temporally related to Bill 7 is the Home for Good Program introduced in March 2017, although the Province links the Home for Good funding to the Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy rather than Bill 7. This program included an affordable housing capital component, but was primarily focused on increasing supports to vulnerable households.

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There has been no reduction in Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) or other affordable housing funding since the re-introduction of Bill 7. In fact, all indications from both the provincial and federal governments are that new funding announcements for homelessness and affordable housing will be for the same amount or higher levels of funding than municipalities currently have access to. For instance, Reaching Home, the homelessness funding envelope replacing the Homelessness Partnering Strategy, will provide existing funding at essentially the same level. All other new federal housing programs use new funds. The federal/provincial cost matched programs which are expected to be announced by the end of the year, as part of the National Housing Strategy are reported to provide more funding to municipalities to administer the previous programs.

## **Appendices and Schedules Attached**

None

Empowered Employees.



## CITY OF HAMILTON

## HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division

ТО:	Chair and Members Healthy and Safe Communities Committee	
COMMITTEE DATE:	August 15, 2018	
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2018 Provincial Child Care Funding Allocation (HSC18044) (City Wide)	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide	
PREPARED BY:	Jessica Chase (905) 546-2424 Ext. 3590 Dawn Meitz (905) 546-2424 Ext. 3587	
SUBMITTED BY:	Grace Mater Director, Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department	
SIGNATURE:		

## RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept the additional 100% provincial 2018 Child Care and Early Years funding in the amount of \$12,137,336 from the Ministry of Education; and,
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department be authorized and directed to execute the service agreement from the Ministry of Education in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Province continues its multi-year reform of the Child Care and Early Years systems in Ontario. In keeping with this reform, the Ministry of Education has made a number of recent announcements resulting in increased child care and early years funding in the amount of \$12,137,336 in 2018.

The increased 2018 funding consists of:

- A new Fee Stabilization Support funding allocation of \$2,002,280 for increased wages for staff working in licensed child care earning less than \$14 per hour;
- New Journey Together funding of \$1,297,215 (\$1,222,215 operating plus \$75,000 capital) for the development of an integrated and enhanced early years service model for Indigenous families

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- New community-based capital funding of \$4,590,000 to support three EarlyON Child and Family Centres and two child care centres located at three unique sites;
- An additional \$2,124,875 for child care expansion for children aged 0-4 years (year 2);
- A new Licensed Home Child Care Base funding allocation of \$890,100 to increase compensation for licensed home child care providers and reduce parent fees;
- An increase of \$585,955 in Wage Enhancement funding to support the wages of staff working in licensed child care; and,
- An increase of \$646,911 in the base child care funding allocation.

This new funding builds on the provincial government's increasing expectation for municipalities to play a strong leadership role in planning and managing the Child Care and Early Years systems. The City of Hamilton has embraced this increased leadership role by actively engaging community partners in planning for the Child Care and Early Years systems, through our Early Years Community Plan, 2016-2020 process and by consulting with our partners to ensure that Child Care and Early Years funds are maximized to best meet the needs of our community.

## Alternatives for Consideration -Not Applicable

## FINANCIAL - STAFFING - LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

### Financial:

A total of \$12,137,336 in new Child Care and Early Years funding has been received by the City from the Ministry of Education, which includes \$4,665,000 in capital funding and \$7,472,336 in operating funding. These are 100% Provincial funds with no cost sharing requirements for the City. The current municipal contribution must be maintained as per the provincial service contract requirements to avoid any loss of funding.

Since 2016 the City's total gross budget for child care and early years has increased from \$59,415,714 to \$86,219,683 with the municipal share remaining at \$5,754,424.

The increased funding will be allocated based on the prescribed funding allocations as shown below.

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Distribution of 2018 Funding	100% Provincial Funding Increase
Child Care Allocation Base Funding	\$ 646,911
Child Care Expansion Plan – Year 2	\$ 2,124,875
Fee Stabilization Support Funding	\$ 2,002,280
Licensed Home Child Care Base Funding	\$ 890,100
Wage Enhancement Funding	\$ 585,955
Community Based Capital Funding	\$ 4,590,000
Journey Together Operating Funding	\$ 1,222,215
Journey Together Capital Funding	\$ 75,000
Total 2018 Increased Funding	\$ 12,137,336

## Staffing:

There are no staffing implications associated with Report HSC18044.

## Legal:

The 2018 Child Care and Child and Family Support Program Transfer Payment Agreement has been received from the Ministry of Education. It has been reviewed and approved by Legal Services.

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Government of Ontario continues to stabilize and transform the Early Years and Child Care systems to better meet the needs of families and children aged 0-12 years.

In September 2016, the provincial government announced a Child Care Expansion Plan. This plan will create access to licensed child care for 100,000 more children aged 0-4 years old over the next five years across the province. To support this commitment, the provincial government made a provincial investment of \$170 million in 2017/18, growing to \$200 million in 2018/19.

In October 2017, the Ministry of Education announced Fee Stabilization Support Funding. The intent of this funding is increase the hourly wages of staff in licensed child care centres and licensed home child care agencies earning less than \$14 per hour. In February 2018, the provincial government announced that this new investment would increase to \$50.8 million in 2018. As a result, the City of Hamilton received \$2,002,280 in 2018 for Fee Stabilization Support and will be distributed to only those programs that are eligible.

In December 2017, the provincial government announced approval of The Journey Together proposal submitted in partnership with the City of Hamilton and Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg (Report CES17039). The Journey Together is Ontario's commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. The Hamilton Indigenous-Led Integrated Early

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Years Model was approved for \$1,222,215 in operating funding and \$75,000 in capital funding for 2018.

In May 2018, the Ministry of Education announced the successful Community-Based Capital Project submissions for licensed child care and EarlyON Child and Family Centres. As a result of this announcement, Hamilton was approved for \$4,590,000 to support five capital projects, located at three unique sites.

In May 2018, the Ministry of Education announced the 2018 Final Child Care Funding Allocations. Included in this announcement was an additional investment of \$48 million to support an additional 4,200 children aged 0-4 and \$19.5 million to support licensed home child care agencies. As a result, the City of Hamilton has received an increase of \$2,124,875 for Child Care expansion, \$890,100 to support licensed home child care, \$585,955 for Wage Enhancement, and \$646,911 to support an increase to the base child care allocation.

## POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

Beginning in 2018, the City of Hamilton became the Service System Manager for the Early Years System as required by the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014 (CCEYA)*. All new child care rooms being built as a result of new funding must be built in accordance with the *CCEYA*.

## **RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

The investment of the additional Ministry funding aligns with the Early Years Community Plan, 2016-2020 and is reflective of extensive ongoing consultation with the Child Care and Early Years sector.

## ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The additional 2018 Child Care and Early Years funding will be allocated based on the Ministry of Education's Ontario Child Care Service Management and Funding Guideline 2018 and Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres Business Practices and Funding Guidelines for Service System Managers 2018.

The additional Child Care base funds will support:

- System priorities and capacity building;
- Stabilizing the Child Care system by supporting operating costs; and,
- Access to Child Care fee subsidies for families.

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The Year two Child Care expansion plan funding allocation is part of the provincial government's commitment to a Child Care Expansion Plan for children aged 0-4 years old. The expansion funding will:

- Support new Child Care fee subsidies.
- Support expanded access to affordable licensed Child Care spaces.
- Continue to reduce fee subsidy waitlists to help parents access quality child care.

The City of Hamilton will be required to meet ministry-set expansion targets to align with this new funding investment.

The Fee Stabilization Support Funding will be used to increase the hourly wages of staff in licensed child care centres and licensed home child care agencies earning less than \$14 per hour (excluding wage enhancement), as of December 31, 2017. In Hamilton, only 37 child care staff at 10 child care centres are eligible for this funding given the City's historical commitment to working with child care organizations to pay staff a living wage. As a result, the full allocation is not expected to be utilized.

The intent of the Licensed Home Child Care Base Funding allocation is to provide stable and predictable funding to assist licensed home child care agencies. The funding will be used to reduce per diem charges. These reductions will result in increased compensation for home child care providers and reduced fees for parents.

The Wage Enhancement Funding is provided to eligible child care program staff working in licensed child care, as well as licensed home child care home visitors and providers, whose positions can be counted towards adult to child ratios under the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*. The funding supports an increase of up to \$2.00/hour, to a cap of \$26.68/hour, plus 17.5% benefits. Licensed home child care providers are eligible for up to a \$20/day increase.

The Community-Based Capital Funding will support two child care projects and three EarlyON Child and Family Centre projects in Hamilton. The project sites include the Riverdale Community Hub, the Biindigen Community Hub, and the former King George school. All projects must be completed by December 31, 2020.

The Journey Together funding will support the development of an integrated and enhanced early years service model for Indigenous families in Hamilton. It includes an enhanced licensed child care program, an EarlyON Child and Family Centre program, targeted outreach, transportation and system-wide training to improve cultural awareness and safety across the early years system.

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## **ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION**

None

## ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 - 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

## **Economic Prosperity and Growth**

Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.

## **Healthy and Safe Communities**

Hamilton is a safe and supportive city where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

## **Built Environment and Infrastructure**

Hamilton is supported by state of the art infrastructure, transportation options, buildings and public spaces that create a dynamic City.

## APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Healthy & Safe Communities Committee DATE: August 15, 2018

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR S. MERUL	.LA
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR	
Waiving of the 2018 Season Diamond R	Rental Fee for the Mahoney Basebal

Association

WHEREAS, the Mahoney Baseball Association has been in operation since 1943 in the east end of Hamilton, serving its youth, ages 5-17 years old;

WHEREAS, the Mahoney Baseball Association is affiliated and in good standing with Baseball Ontario, the Hamilton & District Baseball Association and the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, the food concession has been delayed due to the late completion of renovations to Mahoney Park Centre; and,

WHEREAS, there will be limited fundraising revenue generated from the food concession that supplements programming for the 2018 season;

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Hamilton, Recreation Division waive the 2018 season diamond rental fee, up to \$2,500, for the Mahoney Baseball Association.

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July 9, 2018

Ms. Vicki Woodcox Director of Housing Services City of Hamilton 350 King Street East, Suite 110 Hamilton ON L8N 3Y3

Dear Ms. Woodcox:

## Re: Social Housing Apartment Improvement Program – Cancellation of the Cap and Trade Program

As you know, Ontario has cancelled the cap and trade program, effective July 3, 2018. This is part of the government's commitment to bring gas prices down and help reduce costs for Ontario families and businesses.

The Social Housing Apartment Improvement Program (SHAIP) was funded through cap and trade proceeds. As the cap and trade program has been cancelled, there will be no funding for SHAIP in years 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021.

This will not affect your 2017-2018 confirmed funding. Your SHAIP Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) will continue to apply with respect to that funding. This means that you can continue to carry out your retrofit work with housing providers under this program. As a reminder, social housing providers must complete their retrofit work by March 31, 2020.

The balance of your confirmed SHAIP funding for 2017-18 will be paid to you by the Ministry in accordance with the TPA. Please ensure all communications and marketing that reference or promote SHAIP are discontinued, including references on websites, signage, etc.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is aware that housing is top of mind for Service Managers, especially the issue of housing supply. We look forward to further conversations, including opportunities under the National Housing Strategy.

Please do not hesitate to contact Erich Freiler, by email or by phone at erich.freiler@ontario.ca or (416) 585-6193, if you have any follow-up questions.

Sincerely,

Janet Hope

Assistant Deputy Minister

c: Ian Russell, Regional Housing Services Team Lead, MSO-Central

To: "Van Kampen, Joshua" < <u>Joshua. Van Kampen@hamilton.ca</u>>

Cc: Sarah Baker < sbaker@hscorp.ca >

Subject: GreenON Social Housing Program Termination Notice

## SENT ON BEHALF OF HOWIE WONG

Dear Josh:

Re: Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement re: GreenON Social Housing Program between City of Hamilton and Housing Services Corporation effective as of April 24, 2018

Ontario has cancelled the cap and trade program. We received written notice from Green Ontario Fund that the GreenON Social Housing Program is terminated effective August 13, 2018.

Accordingly, we are providing you this letter as notice of termination of the captioned agreement effective as of August 13, 2018 pursuant to section A.13.1 of the agreement.

We will shortly begin discussions with the Province on the wind-down of the GreenON Social Housing Program. At this stage, we cannot provide any guidance on the potential wind-down terms. We anticipate that the wind-down terms will be available in early August 2018.

If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Sarah Baker at 416-594-9325 ext. 322 or sbaker@hscorp.ca.

Yours truly,
Howie Wong
Chief Executive Officer
Housing Services Corporation