1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

   (Added Items, if applicable, will be noted with *)

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

   3.1 July 30, 2020

4. **COMMUNICATIONS**

   4.1 Correspondence from Stephanie Goulet respecting Financial Assistance for Independent Music Venues

   Recommendation: Be received.
5. CONSENT ITEMS

5.1 Working Group Updates (no copy)

5.2 Panels and Discussions Update (no copy)

6. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Role of Liability in the Economic Recovery (deferred from the July 30, 2020 meeting)

8. MOTIONS

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

10. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Resources for the Members of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Update (no copy)

11. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

12. ADJOURNMENT
MAYOR’S TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY
MINUTES 20-003
Thursday, July 30, 2020
8:30 a.m.
Council Chamber
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present:  
T. Johns, Board Member, West End Home Builders’ Association (Vice-Chair)
Councillors N. Nann; J.P. Danko
M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
F. Bernstein, Executive Director, Workers Art & Heritage Centre
R. Brown, Manager, Westfield Heritage Village
K. Duffin, President and CEO, Amity Goodwill
M. Ellerker, Business Manager, Hamilton-Brantford Building & Construction Trades Council (Building/Skilled Trades Sector)
P. Hall, Executive Director, Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce
K. Jarvi, Executive Director, Downtown Hamilton BIA
L. La Rocca, Director of Operations, Sonic Unyon Records
K. Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
B. Lubbers, General Manager, Courtyard by Marriott
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D. Spoelstra, Chair of Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee
J. Travis, Executive Director Workforce Planning Hamilton
H. Wegiel, Director of Government and Trade Relations ArcelorMittal Dofasco
G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison Office

Absent with Regrets:
Mayor F. Eisenberger, Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal
R. McKerlie, President of Mohawk College (Chair)
E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
K. Martin, Executive Director, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton
MAYOR’S TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY MEETING 20-003 OUTCOMES:

1. Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Role in the Economic Recovery (Added Item 8.2)

   (Loomis/McCann)
   That the Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Role in the Economic Recovery, be approved and sent to the Prime Minister, Premier of Ontario, Federal Minister of Finance and the Provincial Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 21 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Mayor F. Eisenberger
YES - Councillor N. Nann
YES - Councillor J. P. Danko
NOT PRESENT - M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
NOT PRESENT - F. Bernstein, Executive Director, Workers Art & Heritage Centre
YES - R. Brown, Manager, Westfield Heritage Village
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YES - H. Wegiel, Director of Government and Trade Relations ArcelorMittal Dofasco
YES - G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison Office
NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

The Clerk advised the Task Force of the following changes to the agenda:

7. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Update

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Restart and Recovery COVID-19 Impact in Hamilton - Workforce Planning Hamilton Survey

8.2 Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance Role in the Economic Recovery

8.3 Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Liability’s Role in the Economic Recovery

(Shattuck/Hall)
That the agenda for the July 30, 2020 meeting of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery, be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 23 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Mayor F. Eisenberger
YES - Councillor N. Nann
YES - Councillor J. P. Danko
YES - M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
YES - F. Bernstein, Executive Director, Workers Art & Heritage Centre
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YES - G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison Office
NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) June 25, 2020 (Item 3.1)

(Yuyitung/Loomis)
That the Minutes of the June 25, 2020 meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 23 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Mayor F. Eisenberger
YES - Councillor N. Nann
YES - Councillor J. P. Danko
YES - M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
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YES - H. Wegiel, Director of Government and Trade Relations ArcelorMittal Dofasco
YES - G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison Office
NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Post COVID-19 Economic Blueprint (Item 5.1)

(Loomis/Wegiel)
That the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Post COVID-19 Economic Blueprint, be received and posted to the Resources Page for the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 23 to 0, as follows:

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YES - Councillor N. Nann
YES - Councillor J. P. Danko
YES - M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
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YES - G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison Office
NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 6)

(i) Child Care Re-opening (Item 6.1)

Grace Mater, Director, Healthy and Safe Communities, addressed the Task Force respecting the current state of Child Care Re-opening during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

(Nann/Ellerker)
That the information respecting Child Care Re-Opening, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 23 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Mayor F. Eisenberger
YES - Councillor N. Nann
YES - Councillor J. P. Danko
YES - M. Afinec, President & COO of Business Operations, Hamilton Tiger-Cats & Forge FC
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NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

For more information, refer to the video of the July 30th meeting of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery.

(ii) Working Group Updates (Item 6.2)

Members of the Working Groups of the Task Force provided updates on their work up to now.

(Shattuck/Ellerker)
That the Working Group Updates, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 23 to 0, as follows:

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NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Update (Added Item 7.1)

Norm Schleehahn, Director of Economic Development, addressed the Task Force respecting the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Update.

(Spoelstra/Hall)
That the presentation, respecting Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 22 to 0, as follows:

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NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Restart and Recovery: COVID-19 Impact in Hamilton - Workforce Planning Hamilton Survey (Added Item 8.1)


(Hall/Loomis)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 22 to 0, as follows:

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(Hall/Loomis)
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NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(ii) Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Liability’s Role in the Economic Recovery (Added Item 8.3)

(Marco/McCann)
That the Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery Respecting Liability’s Role in the Economic Recovery will be deferred to the next meeting to allow K. Loomis and his staff to revise.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 22 to 0, as follows:

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ArcelorMittal Dofasco
YES - G. Yuyitung, Executive Director of the McMaster Industry Liaison
Office
NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(h)  MOTION (Item 9)

(i)  Implementation of Panel Discussions and/or Workshops for the
Working Groups of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery
(Item 9.1)

(Duffin/Ellerker)
That staff be directed to implement panel discussions and/or workshops
delivered by subject matter experts (including those with lived experience)
to the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery around the three
guiding principles of the Task Force being EDI, Climate Action, and
Labour, for the Working Groups of the Task Force.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 22 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Mayor F. Eisenberger
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NOT PRESENT - E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird
NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(i) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(Loomis/Marco)
That the following information items, be received:

(i) Canada United Weekend (Added Item 11.1)

P. Hall advised that Royal Bank of Canada and their industry partners are running a fund-raising campaign called Canada United and Canada United Weekend with a small-business spending event to take place from August 28-30, 2020.
(ii) **Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Project Update (Added Item 11.2)**

K. Loomis advised that the following Hamilton Chamber of Commerce assistance programs are now in place:

- Recovery Activation Program
- Trace Accelerator Program
- Digital Main Street Project

(iii) **Anthony Marco (Added Item 11.3)**

A. Marco advised that a document from the Canadian Labour Congress, entitled Labour’s Vision for Economic Recovery has been uploaded on to the resource page for the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery.

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NOT PRESENT - Councillor T. Whitehead

(j)  **ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)**

*(Danko/Nann)*

There being no further business, the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery be adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Johns, Vice-Chair
Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery

Loren Kolar
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk
Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger,

I'm writing to you today in my capacity as a Canadian citizen, a member of my community, and a music lover. When COVID-19 hit, live music venues across the country were forced to shut their doors. They were the first to close, and they will be the last to re-open. Unless financial assistance from the federal government is made available immediately, most (a staggering 96%) might not survive the shutdown, and the music will fall silent. The situation is dire.

We've all come together for the common good to stop the spread, but as the months go by, the country's independent music venues — small businesses that sustain and support an industry and provide a stage for live music — remain on life support. Small venues play a crucial role in the development and sustainability of every artist's career. Without the support that they provide, Canadian artists whose names and music we have come to know and love would never have made it out of their basements. Unless urgent action is taken, the entire musical economy could be wiped out. This includes venues, musicians, managers, production crews, bartenders and wait staff, suppliers, tour managers, drivers, agents, caterers, cleaners... an entire ecosystem of interdependent stakeholders, not to mention audiences!

Beyond the joy and meaning that these beloved institutions bring to our lives, independent music venues exist within a larger ecosystem. They are economic multipliers and community builders. It is said that every dollar spent in a small music venue generates twelve dollars of economic activity in the surrounding neighbourhood — in restaurants, hotels, retail shops, transit... and the list goes on. That level of financial contribution is consistent in cities and towns across Canada. What would our communities look like without them? We must ensure their survival, and so we look to you.

Independent venues — those small to mid-scale rooms where local bands build a following, where touring acts earn their keep, and where stars are born — this sub-sector of the larger music industry is its very foundation. It's a delicate balance. A venue closes here, and venue closes there, and before you know it, the whole thing starts to crumble and fall. No more local heroes, no more favourite artists criss-crossing the country, connecting with their fans...

The future remains uncertain at best. Many independent venues find themselves ineligible for programs designed to provide financial relief, and yet they continue to face mounting fixed costs and zero revenues, with no end in sight. I stand with the Canadian Live Music Association (CLMA) and the Canadian Independent Venue Coalition (CIVC) in their collective efforts to protect independent venues in this time of existential crisis. The federal government must step up to assist Canadian independent venues as they weather this
collective efforts to protect independent venues in this time of existential crisis. The federal government must step up to assist Canadian independent venues as they weather this crisis, and provide the kind of enduring support that will help sustain them down the long road to economic recovery, as we reimagine new ways to gather. And as we wait this pandemic out, let's plan for the future; this time-out could be an opportunity to reimagine the live music sector, and to create a more sustainable music economy.

I thank you for your time, wish you well in your deliberations, and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Goulet
Proposed Correspondence from the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery
Respecting Liability’s Role in the Economic Recovery

Hamilton’s Economic Recovery Task Force comprises multi-sectoral leadership across our community’s diverse economy. The Task Force is responsible for guiding Hamilton’s economic recovery in the immediate aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic by formulating an aggressive, action-driven plan to ensure a long-term, sustainable and equitable economic recovery.

We are writing to express our concerns and recommendations surrounding liability protection for Ontario employers that demonstrate their due diligence in preventing the spread of COVID-19, among employees and customers alike.

We believe the duty to provide a safe and clean environment for workers and patrons is critical. In fact, under Ontario’s current labour laws, employers must take every reasonable precaution to protect the health and safety of workers, including the protection of workers from hazards posed by infectious diseases. Businesses are also required by municipal by-law to ensure employees working within the establishment wear a face covering and to post a notice to customers at the front of their stores that masks are required indoors.

Businesses that have entered Phase 3 of reopening are doing their best to create and maintain safety protocols that meet their obligations, but many have expressed concern over the uncertainty surrounding their legal liability and exposure, should an employee or customer contract COVID-19 at their establishment.

To provide employers assurance that they are safe from legal action, we recommend protecting employers from legal liability, contingent on the demonstration of due diligence in maintaining a safe and clean environment that meets public health standards.

With this clarification in place, the Province of Ontario will better pave the way to economic recovery in Hamilton and beyond.

Thank you for your consideration.

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