



City of Hamilton

CITY COUNCIL POST - MEETING

02-014

Wednesday, June 24, 2020, 9:30 A.M.

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Call to Order

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 June 3, 2020

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 Correspondence from the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors respecting their Resolution – Request to City of Hamilton Council regarding Closed Road Allowance – Fifty Point Conservation Area - 1479 Baseline Road, Hamilton

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the City Solicitor for appropriate action.

- 4.2 Correspondence from Alex Beer in opposition to the plans to restrict Aberdeen from four to two lanes, with parking on each side as approved by Council June 17, 2019, as per Report PW17021(a) Update on Safety Measures

on Aberdeen Avenue from Queen Street to Longwood Road.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Public Works for appropriate action.

- 4.3 Correspondence from Ron Lancaster in support of the SoBi Bike Share Program in Hamilton.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.4 Correspondence from Northumberland County requesting support for their resolution asking the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence,

to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.5 Correspondence from Erin Shacklette requesting that Council consider alternative forms of energy other than LNG pipelines.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.6 Correspondence from the Town of Orangeville requesting support for their resolution respecting a diversity training program for Police Services in Ontario.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.7 Correspondence from Eric Miller, Chair, Hamilton Farmers' Market Board of Directors requesting that City Council support the Hamilton Farmers' Market with an equivalence of the Canadian commercial Rent Assistance Program (CECRA) program.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services for a report back to General Issues Committee in July 2020.

4.8 Correspondence respecting Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras:

- 4.8.a Anisa Verrelli
- 4.8.b Vanessa Urbina
- 4.8.c Rachael Marriette-Thom
- 4.8.d Leigh Taylor
- 4.8.e Joshua Sebastian
- 4.8.f Alexa Rose
- 4.8.g Rowan Post
- 4.8.h Miles Oreskovic
- 4.8.i Eli Nolet
- 4.8.j Hiva Nematollahi
- 4.8.k Ariana Moore
- 4.8.l Madeleine Luvisa
- 4.8.m Sofia Labb
- 4.8.n Conor Goulden
- 4.8.o Michelle Gauthier
- 4.8.p Erica Clarke
- 4.8.q Olivia Bozzo
- 4.8.r Mary Chu

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Hamilton Police Services Board.

4.9 Correspondence respecting the suspension of the Police Liaison Program in the Hamilton District School Board (HWDSB) and demanding that the HWDSB end their relationship with the Hamilton Police.

- 4.9.a Hannah Duckworth

4.9.b Melody Gray

*4.9.c Emily Upper

*4.9.d Leah Avery

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Hamilton Police Services Board.

4.10 Correspondence respecting the divesting and defunding of the Hamilton Police Service:

4.10.a Laura Biondo

4.10.b Sarah Warry-Poljanski

4.10.c Claire Bodkin

4.10.d Kelly Ebers

4.10.e Michael Schnittker

4.10.f Adrian Underhill

4.10.g Jessica Hymers

4.10.h Lee Meszaros

4.10.i Afra Iftikhar

4.10.j Abedar Kamgari

4.10.k Nisha Kansal

4.10.l Megan Lewis

4.10.m Una Di Gallo

4.10.n Yidan Lafond

4.10.o Rachel Yantzi

4.10.p Jackie Wheatley

4.10.q Joshua Weresch

4.10.r Alexandra Weinberger

4.10.s Janna Watkins

4.10.t Olivia Watkin-McClurg

4.10.u Maggie Ward

4.10.v Alexandra Weinberger

4.10.w Jackson Virgin-Holland

4.10.x Eric Viau

4.10.y Jelena Vermilion, Executive Director, SWAP Hamilton

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4.10.aa Adrian Underhill

4.10.ab Robin Hufgard

4.10.ac Piper Hayes

4.10.ad Elizabeth Syrotuik

4.10.ae Katie Sullivan

4.10.af Lindsay Staios

4.10.ag Erin Stanley

4.10.ah Evan Gravely

4.10.ai Angela Shlimon

4.10.aj Mariel Rutherford

4.10.ak Jyssika Russell

4.10.al Maya Robertson

4.10.am Haley Reap

4.10.an Natalie Raso and Stephen Zuccolo

4.10.ao Nikhil Rajput
4.10.ap Kelly Coxson
4.10.aq Sarah Perkins
4.10.ar Carol Classen
4.10.as Daniella Partito
4.10.at Jackie Levitt
4.10.au Lauren Morocco
4.10.av Adam Palios
4.10.aw Scott Neigh
4.10.ax Caroline Murakami
4.10.ay Anna Morreale
4.10.az Anna Morgan
4.10.ba Katie Sullivan
4.10.bb Kait Bos
4.10.bc Alana Morgan
4.10.bd Sameeksha Mishra
4.10.be Brittany Medeiros
4.10.bf Carolyn McNeillie
4.10.bg Danielle McKay
4.10.bh Mackenzie Mawson
4.10.bi Reem Mandil
4.10.bj Hailey MacLeod
4.10.bk Alexa MacKenzie

4.10.bl Odelle Ma
4.10.bm Jeff Low
4.10.bn Anna Lindsay-Mosher
4.10.bo Treasa Lavasseur
4.10.bp Valeria Kuri
4.10.bq Dhiren Khattar
4.10.br Sasha Katz
4.10.bs Nisha Kansal
4.10.bt Amar Hussein
4.10.bu Kate Hunter
4.10.bv Kate Hand
4.10.bw HAMSMaRT
4.10.bx Gabbi Greco
4.10.by Marcel Gallant
4.10.bz Emma Cole
4.10.ca Anna Fischer
4.10.cb Kendra Cheeseman
4.10.cc Jiya Chaudhary
4.10.cd Brigitte Evering
4.10.ce Danica Evering
4.10.cf Dillen Docherty
4.10.cg Jack DiTommaso
4.10.ch Alyssa DeAngelis

4.10.ci	Salina Dang
4.10.cj	Maddy Byra
4.10.ck	Ian Burns
4.10.cl	Shanice Bowrin
4.10.cm	Abeer Ahmad
4.10.cn	Shababa Bakht
4.10.co	Leah Avery
4.10.cp	Marwa Al-Saqqar
4.10.cq	Fareeda Baruwa
4.10.cr	Rizza Arcas
4.10.cs	Will Allen
4.10.ct	Abedar Kamgari
4.10.cu	Dima Matar
4.10.cv	Madeleine Verhovsek
4.10.cw	Megan Janssen
4.10.cx	Rebecca Steckle
4.10.cy	Bolade Shipeolu
4.10.cz	Anna Morreale
4.10.da	Jessica Fisher
4.10.db	Emma Battiston
4.10.dc	Julia Forrester
4.10.dd	Fareeda Baruwa
4.10.de	Avril McMeekin

4.10.df Breanna Riederer
4.10.dg Jay Farmakovski
4.10.dh HAMSMaRT
4.10.di Scarlett Gillespie
4.10.dj Marin Hudson
4.10.dk Michael Kiriakou
4.10.dl Doreen Stermann
4.10.dm Debbie Davies
4.10.dn Jessie Clayton
4.10.do Gary Capon
4.10.dp Christine Hudspeth
4.10.dq Jiya Chaudhary
4.10.dr Valeria Kuri
4.10.ds Sarah Van Berkel
4.10.dt Daniel Thompson-Blum
4.10.du Alice Smith
4.10.dv Hali Tsui
4.10.dw Nasreen Khan
4.10.dx Jessica DeSantis
4.10.dy Sarah Johnston
4.10.dz Cassandra Hamill
*4.10.ea Grace Evans and Scott Dobbin
*4.10.eb Elizabeth Seidl

- *4.10.ec Lisa Nussey
- *4.10.ed Joshua Weresch
- *4.10.ee Craig Burley
- *4.10.ef McMaster Student Union
- *4.10.eg Whitney Bolam

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.11 Correspondence from Jessika Taveras requesting the City's action to create actual systemic change.
Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Hamilton Police Services Board.
- 4.12 Correspondence from the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing respecting Bill 189, Coronavirus (COVID-19) Support and Protection Act, 2020 amendments to the Planning Act and Ontario Regulation 149/20 Special Rules Relating
to Declared Emergency at the following link: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-1653>
Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development for appropriate action.
- 4.13 Correspondence from West End Home Builders' Association in response to Information Report FCS20041 – Development Charges Annual Indexing – Effective July 6, 2020 received by Council on May 20, 2020.
Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services for appropriate action.
- 4.14 Correspondence from Mary Poirier requesting that City Council change Dundas' name as it contradicts the policies set for renaming and addressing streets in Hamilton by appraising discriminatory historical figures and demolishes public safety.
Recommendation: Be received.
- 4.15 Correspondence from Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting COVID19 Impact on Area Rating of Transit Transcab Formula.
Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 4 of Public Works Committee Report 20-004.

- 4.16 Correspondence from Stephen Van Eerdewijk respecting a complaint regarding the Taxi Scrip Program.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Public Works for appropriate action.

- 4.17 Correspondence from Chief Girt in response to a request for the Hamilton Police Services Board to review the feasibility of implementing a dedicated City-Wide Traffic Enforcement Unit and School Bus Enforcement Cameras.

Recommendation: Be received.

- *4.18 Correspondence respecting the Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a)):

*4.18.a Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan

*4.18.b Bay Area Restoration Council

*4.18.c Hamilton Conservation Authority

*4.18.d Royal Botanical Gardens

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Item 8 of Public Works Committee Report 20-004.

- *4.19 Correspondence requesting that City Council change the established procedural bylaws to give the City's volunteer citizen committees the option to resume their meetings virtually until it is safe for them to meet again in person.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the City Clerk to prepare a report for consideration at the July 9, 2020 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

- *4.20 Correspondence from Joshua Weresch respecting the motion for Hamilton Police Services to muffle loud vehicles.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 6.2, Enforcement Request of Excessive Exhaust Vehicular Noise Levels.

- *4.21 Correspondence from Alissa Denham-Robinson, Chair, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee (HMHC) requesting approval for staff's recommendation to allow HMHC volunteers to continue working during this unprecedented time and within the HMHC mandate.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 5 of Planning Committee Report 20-004.

- *4.22 An Information Update respecting the Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (ES20008) (City Wide)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 6.3, Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options.
- *4.23 Correspondence from Uber respecting the Fee Review of Personal Transportation Providers.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 3 of Planning Committee Report 20-004.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 5.1 Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Report 20-001 - June 4, 2020
- 5.2 General Issues Committee Report 20-009 - June 15, 2020
- 5.3 Planning Committee Report 20-004 - June 16, 2020
- 5.4 Board of Health Report 20-003 - June 16, 2020
- 5.5 Public Works Committee Report 20-004 - June 17, 2020
- 5.6 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Report 20-004 - June 18, 2020
- 5.7 Emergency and Community Services Committee Report 20-003 - June 19, 2020

6. MOTIONS

- 6.1 Waive the Notice Provision for an Amendment to the Procedural By-law
- 6.2 Enforcement Request of Excessive Exhaust Vehicular Noise Levels - REVISED
- 6.3 Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide) (referred to Council by Public Works Committee at its meeting of June 17, 2020) REVISED

7. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

- *7.1 Reconsideration of Item 6.4 (a) of the April 15, 2020 Council Minutes (20-007) respecting Report PED20057, Demolition Permit - 393 Rymal Road West
- *7.2 City Ambassadors on the Waterfront Trail

8. STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

9. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

9.1 Closed Session Minutes - June 3, 2020

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b), (e), (f) and (k) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b), (e), (f) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual(s), including City employees; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

10. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMING BY-LAW

10.1 125

Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Block 92 (Parts 1-7), Registered Plan No. 62M-1060 "Summerlea East, Phase 1", municipally known as 27, 29, 31, 33, 35 and 37 Bradley Avenue

PLC19-039

Ward: 11

10.2 126

To Designate Land Located at 24 Main Street West, City of Hamilton as Property of Cultural Heritage Value

Ward: 2

10.3 127

A By-law to Amend By-law No. 20-056 being a By-law to Promote and Regulate Physical Distancing during the COVID-19 Emergency in the City of Hamilton and to amend City of Hamilton By-law No. 17-225, being a By-law to Establish a System of Administrative Penalties

Ward: City Wide

10.4 128

To Amend By-law No. 07-170, a By-law to License and Regulate Various Businesses

Schedule 24 (Personal Transportation Provider)

Ward: City Wide

- 10.5 129
To Amend By-law No. 18-270, the Council Procedural By-law
Ward: City Wide
- 10.6 130
To Amend By-law No. 19-181, the Whistleblower By-law
Ward: City Wide
- 10.7 131
To Amend By-law No. 01-215, being a By-law to Regulate Traffic
Schedule 4 (Yield Control)
Schedule 5 (Stop Control)
Ward: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15
- 10.8 132
To Amend By-law No. 01-218, as amended, Being a By-law to Regulate On-Street
Parking
Schedule 6 (Time Limit Parking)
Schedule 8 (No Parking Zones)
Schedule 12 (Permit Parking Zones)
Schedule 13 (No Stopping Zones)
Schedule 14 (Wheelchair Loading Zones)
Schedule 15 (Commercial Vehicle Loading Zones)
Schedule 20 (School Bus Loading Zones)
Schedule 23 (Special Enforcement Area)
Ward: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15
- 10.9 133
Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Part of Lots 5, 6, 8 to 26, 28, 31, , 50, 52 to
54 and 67, Registered Plan No. 62M-1252
PLC-17-025(E)
Ward: 11

*10.10 134

To Amend Zoning By-law No. 87-57 (Ancaster), respecting lands located at 295 Hamilton Drive, in the former Town of Ancaster
Ward 12
ZAH-19-051

10.11 135

To Confirm the Proceedings of City Council

11. ADJOURNMENT



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 20-013

9:30 a.m.

June 3, 2020

Council Chamber

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger
Councillors M. Wilson, J. Farr, N. Nann, S. Merulla, C. Collins (Deputy Mayor), T. Jackson, E. Pauls, J.P. Danko, B. Clark, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge, T. Whitehead and B. Johnson.

Due to technical difficulties:

(Partridge/Whitehead)

That Council recess at 9:30 a.m.

CARRIED

Council reconvened at 10:30 a.m. and due to continuing technical difficulties:

(Pearson/Johnson)

That Council recess at 10:30 a.m.

CARRIED

Council reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Eisenberger called the meeting to order and recognized that Council is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

4. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

- 4.4 Correspondence from Hamilton Bike Share Inc., who are in a position, both financially and operationally, to assume bike share operations in Hamilton for the next nine months and requesting that the City of Hamilton grants them permission to operate the system, starting as soon as possible after June 1, 2020.

(a) Interim Operations Cost Summary

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1, Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program.

- 4.5 Correspondence from the Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation respecting their commitment of \$100,000 to support Hamilton's remarkably successful bike share program and provide some context for our commitment.

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- 4.6 Correspondence from Ian Borsuk, Climate Campaign Coordinator, Environment Hamilton raising concerns about the impacts the pandemic is having on the HSR, and to urge Council to take action to ensure that our public transit system survives the crisis.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 6.2, Financial Impact of Declining Transit Revenues.

- 4.7 Correspondence in support of the SoBi Bike Share Program in Hamilton:

- (a) Rachel Braithwaite, Executive Director, Representing the Board of Management for the Barton Village BIA; and,
(b) Valentin Brown.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1, Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program.

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- (g) Luther Griggs
- (h) Mariel Rutherford
- (i) Sarah Duncan
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Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Hamilton Police Services Board.

- 4.9 Correspondence from Neighbour 2 Neighbour requesting that Hamilton City Council join the call to request emergency funding from the federal and provincial governments to support the ongoing operation of public transit in our city.

Recommendation: Be received.

5. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (Item 5)

5.1 CONSENT ITEMS

- 5.1 (e) Bike Share Storage Plan (PED20109(b)) (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 13)**

5.2 PUBLIC HEARINGS / WRITTEN DELEGATIONS

- 5.2 (a) Written delegation from Mary Love respecting the Enbridge Proposal.**

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 5.4 (f) Enbridge Gas Inc. City of Hamilton Natural Gas Expansion Projects for submission to the Ontario Energy Board and the Ministry of Energy Natural Gas Expansion Program (PED20099) (Wards 11 and 12).

5.4 DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 5.4 (e) Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a)) (City Wide) - WITHDRAWN**

7. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 7)

- 7.1 Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program**

7.2 Amendment to the Composition of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery

9. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 9)

9.4 Hamilton’s Bikeshare Program—Legal Update (LS20016) (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 13)

CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:

The following items are to be considered following the Closed Session portion of the meeting:

5.4 (h) Mohawk College University/College Transit Pass Agreement - Summer Semester (PW20022) (City Wide)

7.1 Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program

(Nann/Pearson)

That the agenda for the June 3, 2020 meeting of Council be approved, *as amended*.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 1, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
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- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
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3.1 May 27 and 28, 2020 (Item 3.1)**(Partridge/Clark)**

That the Minutes of the May 27 and 28, 2020 meeting of Council be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 1, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
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COMMUNICATIONS

(Jackson/Collins)

That Council Communications 4.1 to 4.9 be approved, as ***amended***, as follows:

- 4.1 Correspondence from Lyn Folks respecting the letter from Ontario Clean Air Alliance sent to Enbridge about their pipeline proposed for Hamilton.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 4.2 Correspondence from Anthony Marco President, Hamilton and District Labour Council proposing the consideration of a motion for the City of Hamilton to demand the federal and provincial governments to provide emergency operating funds to protect vital local services, including public transportation and emergency services.

Recommendation: Be received ***and forwarded to the Prime Minister; Premier of Ontario, the local Members of Parliament and local Members of Provincial Parliament for their information.***

- 4.3 Correspondence from the City of Brantford proclaiming March 17th, as Essential Workers Day in the City of Brantford.

Recommendation: Be received.

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(Jackson/Collins)

That Council move into Committee of the Whole.

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- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

5.1 CONSENT ITEMS

(Ferguson/Pearson)

That Consent Items 5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) be approved, as presented:

5.1 (a) Annual Tax Arrears as of December 31, 2019 (FCS20043) (City Wide)

That Report FCS20043, respecting the Annual Tax Arrears as of December 31, 2019, be received.

5.1 (b) Annual Assessment Appeals as of December 31, 2019 (FCS20044) (City Wide)

That Report FCS20044 respecting Annual Assessment Appeals as of December 31, 2019, be received.

5.1 (c) Public Art Master Plan 2016 Annual Update (PED19053(a)) (City Wide)

That Report PED19053(a) respecting Public Art Master Plan 2016 Annual Update, be received.

5.1 (d) COVID-19 Emergency Delegated Authority By-Law Update (CM20004(a)) (City Wide)

That Report CM20004(a) respecting COVID-19 Emergency Delegated Authority By-Law Update, be received.

5.1 (e) Bike Share Storage Plan (PED20109(b)) (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 13)

That Report PED20109(b) respecting Bike Share Storage Plan, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 1, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
NO - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.2 PUBLIC HEARINGS / WRITTEN DELEGATIONS

(Partridge/Pearson)

That the following written delegation, be received and referred to the consideration of Item 5.4 (f) Enbridge Gas Inc. City of Hamilton Natural Gas Expansion Projects for submission to the Ontario Energy Board and the Ministry of Energy Natural Gas Expansion Program (PED20099) (Wards 11 and 12):

5.2 (a) Written delegation from Mary Love respecting the Enbridge Proposal.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.4 (a) Art in Public Places Policy (PED20068) (City Wide)

(Farr/Nann)

That the Art in Public Places Policy, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED20068, be approved.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
- YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 (b) Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative Participation (PW20033) (City Wide)

(Danko/Jackson)

That Report PW20033 respecting Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative Participation, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
- YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson

YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson

YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 (c) Metrolinx Transit Initiative Program (PW20027) (City Wide)

(Danko/Nann)

That the participation of the City of Hamilton in the upcoming Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative (TPI) for Joint Transit Bus Procurements and other procurements Facilitated by Metrolinx for the years 2020 to 2024, pursuant to a Metrolinx Multi-Year Governance Agreement (M-Y GA) and Terms of Reference (ToR) in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and content satisfactory to the General Manager of Public Works be approved.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr

YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla

YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins

YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson

YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls

YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko

YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek

YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson

YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson

YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 (d) Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program - 15 Queen Street South (PED20101) (Ward 2)

(Farr/Pauls)

(a) That a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program application submitted by 15 Queen Holdings Inc. (Paul Kemper), for the property at 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton, estimated at \$1,824,833.79 over a maximum of a five-year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the development of 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program;

(b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Grant Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect recommendation (a) of Report PED20101, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,

- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any Grant Amending Agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
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 YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
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 YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
 YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
 YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 (f) Enbridge Gas Inc. City of Hamilton Natural Gas Expansion Projects for submission to the Ontario Energy Board and the Ministry of Energy Natural Gas Expansion Program (PED20099) (Wards 11 and 12)

(Johnson/Pauls)

That the City of Hamilton provide a letter of support attached as Appendix "B" to Report PED20099 for the submission by Enbridge Gas Inc. to the Provincial Government's Natural Gas Expansion Projects for the Airport Employment Growth District and Red Hill Business Parks, and individual applications for the rural settlement areas of Rockton; Sheffield, Westover; and Alberton, with no financial contribution.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 2, as follows:

NO - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 NO- Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
 YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

5.4 (g) Appropriation Transfer of Funds for Claremont Access Road Resurfacing and Multi-Use Keddy Trail Construction (PED20115/PW16003(b)) (Wards 2, 3, 7 and 8)

(Danko/Whitehead)

- (a) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to award tender C15-13-20 (H) to Dufferin Construction Company in the amount of \$5,563,240 (not including Contingency and Non-Refundable HST) as identified in the attached Appendix "A" to Report PED20115/PW16003(b) and that the General Manager of Public Works be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, all agreements and other documents necessary to implement this award on confirmation that each such agreement be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (b) That Project ID 4662017130 (Claremont Access – Keddy Access Trail) be set up with a budget of \$3,384,000 and that all identified funding sources, as outlined in the attached Appendix "B" to Report PED20115/PW16003(b) be transferred to this consolidated project ID;
- (c) That a budget adjustment be approved to increase Capital Project ID 4662017130 (Claremont Access – Keddy Access Trail) by \$896,000 from \$3,384,000 to \$4,280,000 and that this increase be funded by a transfer of surplus gas tax \$896,000 from Project ID 4032011020 Claremont Access - Inverness to Main resurfacing project which benefitted from a favourable tender price; andm
- (d) That the barrier coating line items within the tender be deferred to a future implementation date, which will result in a cost savings of \$248,755 (not including Contingency and Non-Refundable HST).

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
 YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
 YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
 YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
 YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

MOTIONS

6.2 Financial Impact of Declining Transit Revenues

(Collins/Farr)

WHEREAS, it is estimated that transit ridership is currently down 70%;

WHEREAS, transit ridership fell 4% after the 2008 recession and 2019 ridership is relatively unchanged from 2008 ridership numbers;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that recovery and post recovery transit ridership will be well below average annual pre-COVID levels for the foreseeable future;

WHEREAS, the decline in ridership will result in a significant loss in farebox and transit ridership revenue in 2020 and 2021;

WHEREAS, the *Municipal Act* requires municipalities to pass balanced budgets, thereby offsetting lost transit ridership revenues through the potential of an increase in tax levy;

WHEREAS, the City's Transit Area Rating formula is largely weighted to the former City of Hamilton; and,

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the cost of declining transit revenues will be shifted primarily to the former City of Hamilton;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to provide a report to the **Public Works** Committee that summarizes the financial impact of declining transit revenues, and a list of options available to Council to temporarily offset the loss in 2021.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 3, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

NO - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
NO - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
NO - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

6.1 Future of LaSalle Park

(Merulla/Collins)

WHEREAS, LaSalle Park, comprising approximately 51.5 acres of open space (35 ac.) and park/table land (16.5 ac.), was acquired by the City of Hamilton between 1912-1916;

WHEREAS, in 1958, Aldershot was annexed to the City of Burlington, yet the City of Hamilton continued ownership of LaSalle Park and the park was managed by the Hamilton Parks Board;

WHEREAS, between 1975 and 1983, the City of Burlington managed LaSalle Park under a joint management agreement;

WHEREAS, in 1983, the City of Burlington leased the Park from the City of Hamilton under the following terms:

- Term: forty (40) years, commencing Jan.1, 1983 and expiring Dec.31, 2022
- Annual Rent: \$1.00 (payable Aug.1 each year)
- Use: Exclusive right to maintain, operate, programme and manage LaSalle Park for the sole purpose of a public park and related parks uses - outdoor recreational activities and open to the public at all reasonable times at no charge to the public (with exception of Sailing Club)
- Improvements: Improvements or alterations to existing improvements require prior written consent of Hamilton, in its sole discretion
- Obligation: Burlington to maintain, operate, programme and manage LaSalle Park as its sole cost and expense
- Name: must continue as LaSalle Park
- Renewal: The Lease may be renewed for twenty-five (25) years and only by mutual agreement. There is no notice or exercise period; and between 1993 and 1997, several amendments/consent agreements were entered into to address the rebuilding and restoration of the historic pavilion;

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has from time to time expressed a desire to acquire LaSalle Park (barring that to renew the lease), but not at a price acceptable to the City of Hamilton; and,

WHEREAS, the current lease will expire on December 31, 2022 and the current event space operator of the pavilion within the park is seeking to book events beyond the expiry date of the lease;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Corporate Real Estate Office, in collaboration with other relevant divisions, be directed to undertake a review of the value and implications of alternative disposition (sell, lease, develop, operate) options for LaSalle Park, and report back to General Issues Committee *in September 2020*.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 1, as follows:

NO - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
 YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
 YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
 YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
 YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
 YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

6.3 Amendment to the Composition of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery

(Clark/Farr)

WHEREAS, the Social Planning Research Council of Hamilton will provide invaluable research and advice which will illuminate the Task Force deliberations and contribute to its success; and,

WHEREAS, the Social Planning Research Council is a recognized leader in promoting greater *social* and economic equity through research and community development;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Section 3.3 of the Terms of Reference of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery be amended to include the following:

- One (1) representative of the Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla

NOT PRESENT - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeeck
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

(Ferguson/Partridge)

That Councillor Ferguson's and Councillor Partridge's resignations from the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 2, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
NO- Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
NO - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeeck
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

(Danko/Whitehead)

That Councillor Danko and Councillor Whitehead be appointed to the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES- Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

6.4 Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program

(Merulla/Collins)

That Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012), respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program, which was defeated by Council on May 27 & 28, 2020 and reads as follows, be reconsidered:

6.4 Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program

- (a) That if Uber does not agree to honour its contractual agreement with the City to operate the SoBi Bike Share program until February 2021 without interruption of services and at no cost to the City:
 - (i) That Council approve the single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, for the interim operation of the SoBi Bike Share program effective June 1, 2020 and that the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute an Agreement and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Hamilton Bike Share Inc., each in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3's majority vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
NOT PRESENT - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson

(Merulla/Collins)

- (a) That if Uber does not agree to honour its contractual agreement with the City to operate the SoBi Bike Share program until February 2021 without interruption of services and at no cost to the City:
- (i) That Council approve the single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, for the interim operation of the SoBi Bike Share program effective June 1, 2020 and that the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute an Agreement and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Hamilton Bike Share Inc., each in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(Merulla/Collins)

WHEREAS, on May 27 and 28, 2020, Council defeated motion 6.4 respecting Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program successfully arguing that City of Hamilton funds were never intended to be utilized to operate SoBi;

WHEREAS, the Not-for-Profit, Hamilton Bike Share Inc. (HBSI) was the only qualified consideration as a sole source interim operator; and,

WHEREAS, recent extensive fundraising by HBSI, the current Hamilton Bike Share Inc. budget and a generous \$100,000 donation to the City of Hamilton by the Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation along with many other corporate contributions for the purposes of interim operations of SoBi has made it possible to continue the program without using any taxpayer dollars.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That if Uber does not agree to honour its contractual agreement with the City to operate the SoBi Bike Share program until February 2021 without interruption of services and at no cost to the City:
- (i) That Council approve a single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, **to immediately retain HBSI to operate the City of Hamilton's bikeshare program through February 2021 at no cost to the taxpayer;**
- (ii) That the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute, **on behalf of the City, all necessary agreements, terms, conditions and ancillary documents required to give effect thereto, each in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and subject to confirmation of the donations referenced in the HBSI communication to Council dated May 31, 2020;**
- (iii) **That HBSI be entitled to all program revenues, including sponsorship and advertising; and,**

- (iv) ***That Council direct that the \$100,000 donation by the Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation and \$45,000 from Community Builders, \$20,000 from IBI Group, \$5,000 from LIUNA Highrise Group, \$5,000 from Royal Connaught Phase 3, \$5,000 from Effort Trust, \$5,000 from Roxborough Park Developments and \$5,000 from Urban Solutions to the City of Hamilton be used to support the continued operations of Hamilton’s bikeshare program.***

(Partridge/Farr)

That the following be included under sub-section (ii):

Amount	Source
\$100,000	Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation, facilitated by Councillor Farr
\$60,000	HBSI Fundraiser Campaign* - GoFundMe
\$100,000	Confirmed Funders/Sponsors - partnering businesses & anonymous donors. Funds received and HBSI has on hand.
\$140,000	User Fee Revenue, including October 2020 payment for Everyone Rides Initiative equity passes funded by HBSI’s Ontario Trillium Foundation GROW grant

*at time of submission this campaign is at \$66,000 and growing. All funds associated with this campaign, including those above \$60,000, will go directly towards bike share operations.

Total: \$400,000

Result: Amendment CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
- YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

Main Motion as **Amended** reads as follows:

- (a) That if Uber does not agree to honour its contractual agreement with the City to operate the SoBi Bike Share program until February 2021 without interruption of services and at no cost to the City:

- (v) That Council approve a single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, **to immediately retain HBSI to operate the City of Hamilton's bikeshare program through February 2021 at no cost to the taxpayer;**
- (vi) That the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute, **on behalf of the City, all necessary agreements, terms, conditions and ancillary documents required to give effect thereto, each in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and subject to the confirmation of the donations referenced in the HBSI communication to Council dated May 31, 2020, as follows:**

Amount	Source
\$100,000	Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation, facilitated by Councillor Farr
\$60,000	HBSI Fundraiser Campaign* - GoFundMe
\$100,000	Confirmed Funders/Sponsors - partnering businesses & anonymous donors. Funds received and HBSI has on hand.
\$140,000	User Fee Revenue, including October 2020 payment for Everyone Rides Initiative equity passes funded by HBSI's Ontario Trillium Foundation GROW grant

*at time of submission this campaign is at \$66,000 and growing. All funds associated with this campaign, including those above \$60,000, will go directly towards bike share operations.

Total: \$400,000

- (vii) **That HBSI be entitled to all program revenues, including sponsorship and advertising; and,**
- (viii) **That Council direct that the \$100,000 donation by the Patrick J McNally Charitable Foundation and \$45,000 from Community Builders, \$20,000 from IBI Group, \$5,000 from LIUNA Highrise Group, \$5,000 from Royal Connaught Phase 3, \$5,000 from Effort Trust, \$5,000 from Roxborough Park Developments and \$5,000 from Urban Solutions to the City of Hamilton be used to support the continued operations of Hamilton's bikeshare program.**

Result: Main Motion as Amended CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

- YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

NOTICES OF MOTION

7.2 Amendment to the Composition of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery

(Clark/Farr)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion, respecting Amendment to the Composition of the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3’s majority vote of 14 to 1, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- NOT PRESENT - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
- YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
- NO - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson

Refer to Item 6.3 for further disposition of this item.

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Members of Council used this opportunity to discuss matters of general interest.

PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

Council determined that discussion of Item 9.1 was not required in Closed Session; therefore, the matter was addressed in Open Session, as follows:

9.1 Closed Session Minutes – May 27 and 28, 2020

(Partridge/Pearson)

That the Closed Session Minutes dated May 27 and 28, 2020 be approved, as presented, and remain confidential.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

(Johnson/Pauls)

That Council move into Closed Session respecting Items 9.2, 9.3 and 9.4, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b), (e), (f) and (k) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b), (e), (f) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual(s), including City employees; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

9.2 Pending Litigation and Liabilities (LS20006) (City Wide)

(Clark/Pearson)

(a) That Report LS20006, respecting Pending Litigation and Liabilities, be received;
and,

(b) That Report LS20006, remain confidential.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

9.3 Appendix "A" to Report PW20022, Mohawk College University/College Transit Pass Agreement- Summer Semester (City Wide)

(Ferguson/Pauls)

That Appendix "A" to Report PW20022, Mohawk College University/College Transit Pass Agreement- Summer Semester, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

9.4 Hamilton’s Bikeshare Program - Legal Update (LS20016) (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 13)

(Farr/Johnson)

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report LS20016 respecting Hamilton’s Bikeshare Program – Legal Update, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report LS20016 respecting Hamilton’s Bikeshare Program – Legal Update remain confidential.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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 YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
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 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - CONTINUED

5.4 DISCUSSION ITEMS – CONTINUED

5.4 (h) Mohawk College University/College Transit Pass Agreement- Summer Semester (PW20022) (City Wide)

(Danko/Wilson)

- (a) That the General Manager, Public Works, or their designate, be authorized and directed to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City all necessary agreements and related documents to temporarily suspend the University/College Transit Pass agreement (the “Mohawk UCTP Agreement”) between the City and Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology, for the period May 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020 (2020 summer semester), with content acceptable to the General Manager, Public Works and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (b) That Appendix “A” attached to Report PW20022 remain confidential, and,

- (c) That the Mayor send written correspondence to the Provincial and Federal governments requesting that for the foreseeable future, notwithstanding the reduction in ridership levels and gas tax revenues, the level of funding provided through the gas tax programs to municipalities not be reduced from the amounts received for the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

(Jackson/Collins)

That the Committee of the Whole Rise and Report.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
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NOTICES OF MOTION - CONTINUED**7.1 Reconsideration of Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012) respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program****(Merulla/Collins)**

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a reconsideration Motion, respecting Sub-Section (a)(i) of Item 6.4 of the May 27 & 28, 2020 Council Minutes (20-012), respecting the Interim Continuation of the SoBi Bike Share Program.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3's majority vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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 YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge
 YES - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
 YES - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
 YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
 YES - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson

Refer to Item 6.4 for further disposition of this item.

BY-LAWS**(Jackson/Collins)**

That Bills No. 20-113 to 20-124, be passed and that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto, and that the By-laws, be numbered, be signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk to read as follows:

- 20-113 To Amend By-law No. 01-215, Being a By-law to Regulate Traffic
 Schedule 2 (Speed Limits)
 Schedule 3 (Flashing School Zones – Reduced Speed Limit)
 Schedule 9 (No Right Turn on Red)
 Schedule 10 (No Left Turns)
 Schedule 13 (Designated Traffic Lanes)
 Ward: 3, 7, 12, 13, 15
- 20-114 Being a By-law to Permanently Close and Sell a Portion of a Public Unassumed Alley abutting 255-261 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, Ontario, being Part of the Alley between Barton Street, Cathcart Street, Robert Street and Wellington Street, established by Registered Plan 287, City of Hamilton, designated as Part

- 1 on Reference Plan 62R-21203, being part of PIN 17163-0097 (LT); City of Hamilton
Ward: 2
- 20-115 Being a By-law to Permanently Close and Sell Portions of Public Unassumed Alleys abutting 222 Barton Street East, 263 and 265 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, Ontario, being Part of the Alley between Barton Street, Cathcart Street, Robert Street and Wellington Street, established by Registered Plan 287, City of Hamilton, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 62R-21081, being part of PIN 17163-0097 (LT); City of Hamilton
Ward: 2
- 20-116 To Repeal and Replace By-law No. 19-220, Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Lots 221, 222, and 234 on Registered Plan No. 865 “North Airfield Park” municipally known as 30 and 34 Sumach Street, and 29 and 31 Eastwood Street
Ward: 4
PLC-18-009
- 20-117 To Repeal and Replace By-law No. 19-244, Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control from Lot 172 of Registered Plan 865 “North Airfield Park” known as 89 Martha Street and 3 Oriole Crescent, Hamilton
Ward: 4
PLC-18-008
- 20-118 Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Part of Lots 1, 2, 8, 17, 18, 19, 29, 33, 62, 106, 107, 108, and 109, Registered Plan of Subdivision No. 62M-1251, “Summit Park – Phase 10”, municipally known as 432, 456 and 460 Dalgleish Trail; 4, 8, 12, 45, 52 and 68 Dolomiti Court; and 26, 28, 32 and 36 Bethune Avenue (Glanbrook)
Ward: 11
PLC-18-013 (E) (20900)
- 20-119 Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control Part of Lots 36, 39, 42, 43, 47 to 49, 53 to 55, 87, 90, 92 to 96, 137, 141 to 145, 148 to 150, Registered Plan of Subdivision No. 62M-1251, “Summit Park – Phase 10” municipally known as, 79, 80, 83, 87, 92, 103, 104, 107, 108 and 111 Dolomiti Court; 56, 60, 64, 66, 70, 84 and 88, Rockledge Drive; 68, 70, 74, 78, 80, 86 and 96 Bethune Avenue; 120 Cittadella Boulevard; and 234 Dalgleish Trail (Glanbrook)
Ward: 11
PLC-18-013 (E) (20902)
- 20-120 To Amend Zoning By-law No. 90-145-Z (Flamborough), Respecting Lands Located at 392, 488 and 530 Dundas Street East (Flamborough)
ZAH-19-027
Ward: 15
- 20-121 To Amend Zoning By-law No. 464, as amended by By-law No. 19-111, respecting lands described as Block 131, Registered Plan No. 62M-1062, in the Former Township of Glanbrook, now in the City of Hamilton
Ward: 11

ZAH-19-052

20-122 Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Part of Block 4, Registered Plan No. 62M-1268, "Myst", municipally known as 590 North Service Road, Units 43-102, Stoney Creek
Ward: 10
PLC-19-018

20-123 Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control, Part of Block 4, Registered Plan No. 62M-1268, "Myst", municipally known as 590 North Service Road, Units 43-102, Stoney Creek
Ward: 10
PLC-19-019

20-124 To Confirm the Proceedings of City Council

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

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- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- YES - Deputy Mayor Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

(Nann/Danko)

That, there being no further business, City Council be adjourned at 6:58 p.m. on June 3, 2020.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger

Andrea Holland
City Clerk



A Healthy Watershed for Everyone

June 8, 2020

Andrea Holland, City Clerk
Office of the City Clerk
City of Hamilton
City Hall
71 Main St. W., 1st Floor
Hamilton, Ontario
L8P 4Y5

Dear Ms. Holland:

Re: Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors Resolution – Request to City of Hamilton Council regarding Closed Road Allowance – Fifty Point Conservation Area - 1479 Baseline Road, Hamilton

Please note that the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Conservation Authority passed the following motion at their June 4, 2020 meeting.

THAT staff be directed to write a letter to the City of Hamilton Clerk requesting Council consider the sale of the closed road allowance at Fifty Point Conservation Area, 1479 Baseline Road, Hamilton to the Hamilton Conservation Authority for a nominal purchase price of \$2.00.

In this regard, please consider this letter as the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors request to the Council of the City of Hamilton to consider the sale of the subject closed road allowance for a nominal cost of \$2.00.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Burnside".

Lisa Burnside
Chief Administrative Officer

TSP/tsp

cc: Michelle Schiau, Business Development Consultant, Corporate Real Estate Office - City of Hamilton

Alex Beer



June 18, 2020

Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council
City of Hamilton
clerk@hamilton.ca

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

Regarding PW17021a (Ward 1)

I am writing about the plan to reduce the number of lanes on Aberdeen Avenue between Queen Street and Dundurn Street from four lanes to two. Several changes on this stretch have been made in the past few years, modifying traffic signal phasing, making pavement marking changes and adding two new intersection pedestrian signals at Kent and Cottage. These changes have added to the safety of the street.


However, I have spoken with several neighbours who, like me, live in Kirkendall south of Aberdeen, and we object to the plans to restrict Aberdeen from four to two lanes, with parking on each side.

We strongly feel this is a wrong move and recommend this plan be cancelled.

Aberdeen is a busy arterial road and a major link between Queen Street and Highway 403. Beckett Drive, known as the Queen Street hill, has average daily traffic of 19,000 vehicles, and already is known for traffic jams in both directions during rush hours.

We have been told that the change to Aberdeen is being made for the safety of pedestrians, including school children who live south of this street. They cross at one of the five stop lights at Queen, Kent, Locke, Cottage or Dundurn to go to one of the three schools on the north side.

But a City of Hamilton traffic report in 2018 ranked this stretch of Aberdeen as the 559th most dangerous in the city.



Reducing lanes will back up traffic significantly and more vehicles idling will cause an increase in greenhouse gasses. I understand that part of the city's Vision Zero Program is aimed at "reducing contributions to climate change".

We are sure that drivers stuck in clogged traffic will cut through our quiet neighbourhood streets to find a quicker way to Highway 403, West Hamilton or to the Queen Street hill. This additional vehicle traffic will greatly increase the likelihood of serious accidents. Children and vulnerable citizens should not be put at risk by increasing traffic on neighbourhood streets.

As well, it will be extremely difficult to turn onto Aberdeen from the side streets because of clogged traffic and parked cars obstructing the view. Drivers from our neighbourhood will have to travel to Dundurn to get to Aberdeen, resulting in even more traffic and greenhouse gas emissions.

Traffic backups on Aberdeen Avenue will also impede emergency responders.

I ask that council please reconsider and cancel the plans for reducing the number of lanes on Aberdeen.

Sincerely,

Alex Beer

Pilon, Janet

Subject: We're all in this together

From: Ron Lancaster

Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 10:43 PM

To: Eisenberger, Fred; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: We're all in this together

To Mayor Fred Eisenberger and City Councillors:

We're all in this together - is there anyone out there who has not heard or read this somewhere? Is there anyone who does not know what this means? Impossible you say? Well, actually no - the six members of the Party of No (PoN) do not know.

Given the environmental and health benefits of cycling and the ability to get around town, especially for low-income residents during these difficult times, it is hard to know how these councillors could possibly say no to supporting the SoBi program.

It is true that the SoBi program is only available in certain parts of the city, but that is because it would not be feasible to run it in rural wards. Besides, are members of the PoN willing to support SoBi in their wards? Probably not.

But all this misses the point - we are all in this together. Taxpayers pay for plenty of programs that are only available in certain parts of the city. We support each other. In fact, taxpayers in the urban wards pay a huge amount of money to support sprawl - suburban areas of the city are costly to service. Joseph Minicozzi, the principal of Urban3 and an urban planner, recently gave a public talk in Hamilton and he did the math and showed us that big box stores do not generate as much tax revenues for the city as do small businesses in the urban part of the city. Voting no to providing tampons, voting no to support SoBi,... One way for citizens to stop the no's is to vote no for members of the Party of No in the next municipal election. Another way that is ultimately better, would be for PoN members to recognize that we are all in this together.

Let's work together to support each other.

Ron Lancaster



Northumberland
County

Resolution

Moved By _____

Agenda
Item 8i

Resolution No.
2020-05-20-143

Last Name Printed Martin

Seconded By _____

Council Date: May 20, 2020

Last Name Printed Cane

"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Northumberland County Council supports the resolutions adopted by the Township of Perth South, the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, the Municipality of West Nipissing; and

Further Be It Resolved That Northumberland County requests the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence to impacted municipalities when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries; and

Further Be It Resolved That Council directs staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland Peterborough-South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, and all Ontario municipalities."

Recorded Vote
Requested by

Councillor's Name

Carried

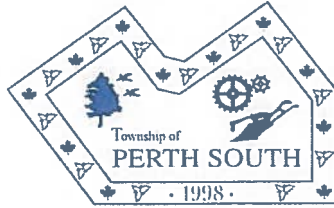

Warden's Signature

Deferred

Warden's Signature

Defeated

Warden's Signature



Corporation of the Township of Perth South

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St. Pauls, ON N0K 1V0
Telephone 519-271-0619
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lscott@perthsouth.ca

April 16, 2020

Sent by Email

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7Z 1A1

Honourable Premier Ford;

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

At the regular meeting of Perth South Council held on March 17, 2020 correspondence was received from the Municipality of West Nipissing, the Village of Merrickville-Wolford and Norfolk County (attached hereto) regarding the above noted issue. As a rural municipality, we share the same concerns raised and thoroughly support the resolutions passed and information provided by these municipalities.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and please contact our office if you require any further information.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lizet Scott', is written over a horizontal line.

Lizet Scott
Clerk

Attachments



West Nipissing Ovest

Joie de vivre

The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ovest
101-225, rue Holditch Street, Sturgeon Falls, ON P2B 1T1

P/T (705) 753-2250 (1-800-263-5359)
F/TC (705) 753-3950

March 3, 2020

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Honourable Premier Ford:

SUBJECT: PROVINCIALY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS DESIGNATION

At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2020, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2020/080**, attached hereto. The resolution supports a request circulated by the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, asking the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing / La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest

Resolution No.

2020 / 0 8 0

FEBRUARY 25, 2020

Moved by / Proposé par : [Signature]

Seconded by / Appuyé par : [Signature]

WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received resolution no. R-029-20 from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, attached hereto; pertaining to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures when designating of Provincially Significant Wetlands;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully provide supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of wetlands designations within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing calls upon the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and all Ontario municipalities.

	YEAS	NAYS
DUHAIME, Yvon		
FISHER, Christopher		
LARABIE, Roland		
MALETTE, Léo		
ROVEDA, Dan		
SÉGUIN, Jeremy		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis		
SÉNÉCAL, Lise		
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)		

CARRIED: [Signature]
DEFEATED:
DEFERRED OR TABLED:

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VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

February 5, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andy Brown, CAO of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
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For Clerk's use only, if
required:
**Recorded Vote Requested
By:**

Cameron	Y	N
Foster	Y	N
Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;

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AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor



Norfolk County Office of the Mayor

March 1, 2020

Ontario Municipalities

Dear Heads of Council and Councillors:

Re: Issues regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs)

Norfolk County Council is working to address significant issues that have come to our attention regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs).

Following the Ministry's updated mapping related to PSWs, the County updated its Official Plan to bring its policies in line with the new mapping. Following that, the County planning staff introduced a Zoning By-Law amendment to update the zoning to reflect the new mapping and to provide consistency between the Zoning By-Law and the Official Plan. Though the mapping is wholly outside the County's process and control, the zoning by-law amendment was not approved by Council, flowing from significant public concern about the updated mapping affecting people's properties. In some cases, some of these changes were very significant.

The County submitted comments to the province as part of the review of the Provincial Policy statement requesting that the process for PSW mapping be significantly improved to allow for transparency and better land owner engagement, including, for example, a right of appeal or formal dispute resolution process. This will allow for land owners to be properly informed and engaged where land use designations that affect their property may result. The current process appears to be severely underfunded and without any meaningful way for affected residents to engage.

The County is seeking support from other rural municipalities who may be affected by this to address this issue with the province.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristal Chopp".

Mayor Kristal Chopp
Norfolk County

cc. The Honourable Steve Clark,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Comments for Enbridge pipeline project

From: Erin Shacklette

Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 4:22 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: Office of the Mayor

Subject: Comments for Enbridge pipeline project

Good afternoon,

Please accept this letter as my request to council to consider alternative forms of energy other than LNG pipelines. Consider the fact Hamilton has publically declared a climate emergency and that we risk massive environmental destruction through the construction of pipelines carrying fracked LNG, it is your responsibility as council to have staff research alternative options and to ask Enbridge what other options are available beside fracked LNG.

I also request that the community of Hamilton be consulted and that public information meetings are arranged to obtain community feedback and to allow us to ask questions prior to the City agreeing to any terms and conditions, or entering into any agreements with Enbridge for the construction of these LNG pipelines. As of now, only Enbridge was consulted.

I have attached the report I am referencing which will be reviewed by council June 3.

Please kindly acknowledge receipt of this email once received.

Kind regards,

Erin Shacklette

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Orangeville Council Resolution - Diversity Training Program

From: Tracy MacDonald <tmacdonald@orangeville.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:18 PM

Subject: Orangeville Council Resolution - Diversity Training Program

Good afternoon,

Orangeville Council at its June 8, 2020 meeting passed the following resolution:

“WHEREAS The Town of Orangeville recognizes there have been questions in the public related to both diversity training and use of force training and protocols for Police Services, including in Ontario;

WHEREAS the Town recognizes that police officers join this profession out of a desire to do good, to serve and to protect the communities they serve;

AND WHEREAS an understanding of community diversity can foster authentic inclusion;

AND WHEREAS empathy training, and de-escalation training, can support understanding other people’s perspectives;

AND WHEREAS the Town recognizes that policing can be a dangerous profession, and officer as well as community safety are critical considerations in law enforcement;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police have indicated they have a comprehensive diversity training program, however there may not be the same resources available across the entire province for smaller Police Services;

AND WHEREAS there is concern in the public about the boundaries of use of force, such as neck restraints, and oversight;

AND WHEREAS there isn’t clarity on a common bar on diversity and empathy training or on use of force and oversight;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor write to the Solicitor General to encourage common training requirements for all members of Police Services in Ontario as it relates to diversity, empathy and use of force;

AND THAT the Solicitor General provide clarity on police oversight going forward given the anticipated changes to legislation to ensure effective accountability continues;

AND THAT annual updates or refresher courses be mandatory to ensure our Police Services have the best and current information available to them;

AND THAT THE TOWN request that the use of force protocols be reviewed to ensure they are safe and would meet current standards, and then shared across the province;

AND THAT THE TOWN circulate this resolution to all Ontario municipalities seeking their support.”

Regards,

Tracy Macdonald | Assistant Clerk | Corporate Services
Town of Orangeville | 87 Broadway | Orangeville ON L9W 1K1
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June 11, 2019

Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Members of Council
Mayor's Office City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West, 2nd Floor
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5
(Delivered by email)

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

On behalf of the Hamilton Farmers' Market, please accept this letter and the attached motion as a request for Council's consideration as soon as possible.

During this unprecedented time of the global pandemic, the Hamilton Farmers' Market has continued to provide Hamiltonians with safe and affordable food that reflects the city's diversity. Since the provincial emergency order starting in March, the Market incurred additional costs while it experienced an 83% decrease in customers in late March. Customer counts in the first week of June are 75% below pre-pandemic levels.

The Market's shoppers were told to stay at home and pool essential purchases within each household. Many found it difficult to access the market since its southerly access through Jackson Square was blocked. Some regular shoppers feared using transit, and many have been intimidated by the gathering of street-people at York and Bay. Concurrently, the City of Hamilton's Emergency Operations Centre's Communications team initially locked down the Market's communication platforms which limited the Market's ability to notify the public that it remained open for business.

The provincial emergency order affected 54 businesses that regularly operate with the Market. Within the first two months, 7 were mandated to halt retailing while an additional 15 were mandated to limit their usual offerings, including two businesses that had originally planned to launch in the Market. On a precautionary basis, an additional 9 businesses did not operate. The remaining 23 businesses continued to provide essential food, but with reduced sales and smaller margins. The resulting hardship for all businesses continues to challenge their ability to pay rent and other costs.

The Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) provides relief for small businesses experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19. It offers unsecured, forgivable loans to eligible commercial property owners in order to reduce the rent owed by their small business tenants.

Unfortunately the CECRA program is not available to the Hamilton Farmers' Market because the Market Corporation operates within a municipal property.

We therefore request that Council support the Hamilton Farmers' Market with an equivalence of the CECRA program. This would amount to 75% of the regular monthly rent revenue for April and May and June 2020, which sums to about \$91,000. As we detail in the motion, the request would be anchored to signed contracts between the small businesses within the Market and the Market Corporation (City of Hamilton).

Thank you in advance for considering our request as a means of sustaining the Hamilton Farmers' Market throughout this extraordinary moment in its 183-year history.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Eric" being more prominent than the last name "Miller".

Eric Miller
Chair, Hamilton Farmers' Market Board of Directors

HAMILTON FARMERS' MARKET motion carried at Board Meeting of June 8, 2020

Moved by Gordon Albini, Seconded by Eric Miller

Rent Reductions for Hamilton Farmers' Market Vendors During COVID-19 Pandemic

WHEREAS COVID-19 has had a profound negative affect on all retail businesses including the vendors at the Hamilton Farmers' Market;

WHEREAS the Federal and Provincial Governments have encouraged all landlords to negotiate rent reductions with their tenants;

WHEREAS the Federal Government launched the Canadian commercial Rent Assistance Program (CECRA) to provide support to qualified landlords to enable them to offer a rent reduction of at least 75% to impacted tenants for the months of April, May, and June;

WHEREAS Municipal owned properties are not eligible for the CECRA program but as with other landlords and have an obligation to support impacted business tenants; and

WHEREAS without financial relief there are vendors whose businesses may not survive, creating vacancies that will be difficult to fill in the next 12 – 18 months, causing additional financial pressures on the Market and the tax levy subsidy; and

WHEREAS the number of customers visiting the Farmers' Market have dropped by greater than 75% year-over-year since the Provincial Order;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton extend a rent reduction agreement with the Hamilton Farmers' Market to provide the same level of assistance as the CECRA program of 75% of the rental revenue for the months of April, May, and June 2020, with calculations to be based on the monthly rent amounts documented in the signed 2020 contracts between the City of Hamilton and the Vendors of the Hamilton Farmers' Market.
- (b) That any future extension of the CECRA, or introduction of comparable Federal or Provincial government programs, also be applied to the Hamilton Farmers' Market.

From: Anisa Verrelli

Sent: June 3, 2020 6:37 PM

To: horwatha-qp@ndp.on.ca; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; mtaylor-qp@ndp.on.ca; Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>; Jackson, Tom <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>; Pauls, Esther <Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca>; Ward 8 Office <ward8@hamilton.ca>; Clark, Brad <Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca>; Pearson, Maria <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>; Johnson, Brenda <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>; Ferguson, Lloyd <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>; judi.partrige@hamilton.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; Jagmeet.Singh@parl.gc.ca
Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

Hello,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns regarding community safety, anti-Black racism and violence particularly at the hands of police, and body cameras. I am a Hamilton resident living in Ward 7.

As a Hamilton citizen, it worries and disgusts me that the Hamilton police still do not have body cameras. Referencing information provided on the city website, the police force's budget increased by 19 million dollars in 2020 – yet the police force and city council have sighted "cost concerns" when deflecting the implementation of body cameras, a request which has been voted against a total of 4 times.

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Thank you for your time and attention.

[Anisa Verrelli]

From: Vanessa Urbina
Sent: June 3, 2020 6:51 PM
To: Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>
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Thank you for your time and attention.

Vanessa Urbina

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From: Rachael Thom

Sent: June 3, 2020 4:15 PM

To: horwatha-qp@ndp.on.ca; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; mtaylor-qp@ndp.on.ca; Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>; Jackson, Tom <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>; Pauls, Esther <Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca>; Ward 8 Office <ward8@hamilton.ca>; Clark, Brad <Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca>; Pearson, Maria <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>; Johnson, Brenda <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>; Ferguson, Lloyd <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>; judi.partridge@hamilton.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; Jagmeet.Singh@parl.gc.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

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Thank you for your time and attention.

Rachael Marriette-Thom

Pilon, Janet

Subject: A Call To Action For Body-Worn Cameras

From: Leigh Taylor

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 1:30 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: A Call To Action For Body-Worn Cameras

Good Afternoon!

I have been advised to forward the below email to you by Mr. Paul Szachlewicz, Administrator for Mayor Eisenberger, so all members of council will be able to see and address this very important matter. Thank you.

Dear Mayor Eisenberger

My name is Leigh Taylor, and I am a resident in Ward 3. I am reaching out to you regarding a matter that has been heavy on my mind and heart. I am sure that you are aware of the tragic death of George Floyd at the hands of 4 Minneapolis Police Officers on May 25th. As a Black man in this community, it shook me to the core despite this happening stateside. I could not help but think, what if something like this happened to me here. Two days later on May 27th, 29-year-old Regis Korchinski-Paquet tragically fell from the 24th floor of an apartment building during a police encounter. What struck me about this tragic death is that there is no video of the incident. Not just from eyewitnesses, but also from Toronto Police. Because the Toronto Police Department does not use body-worn cameras.

What if what happened to George Floyd happened here in Hamilton? What if what happened to Regis Korchinski-Paquet happened here in Hamilton? Outside of eyewitness testimony and eyewitness video footage, we would only have the word of those involved. That makes the job of a unit like the Special Investigations Unit extremely difficult because the Hamilton Police Department does not use body-worn cameras. They have not even engaged in a trial run. This is unacceptable.

I understand the high costs associated with such an endeavor, but the fact that the use of body cameras comes with positives like protection for police and citizens alike, accountability for those charged to protect and serve, and improved public perception, it is time that the Hamilton Police Force take this on and find a way to fit this in their budget given that it would only consist of 1.6% to implement based on the Hamilton Police Budget for 2020. I do understand that the acceptance of this measure lies with the police board, but this measure has been turned down one time too many by Hamilton Police. Especially at a time when public distrust in the police and city is definitely high with situations like their interactions with the LGBTQ+ community revolving around Pride, the issues surrounding the Yellow Vests at City Hall, much less the strained relationship with Black, Brown and Indigenous Communities. This can no longer continue.

As Mayor of Hamilton, there is no greater voice than yours. No voice that would have a greater reach or impact. As Mayor and member of the Hamilton Police Board, your voice, along with those of your fellow city councillors would carry more influence with your fellow Hamilton Police Board members and Police Chief Eric Girt. While there are other measures that can and should be addressed, this is one that can be addressed and implemented sooner. Calls from our city leaders for body-worn cameras to be adopted by the Hamilton Police Department need to begin now.

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Kind regards,
Leigh Taylor

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: HAMILTON POLICE BODY CAMERAS

From: Josh Sebastian

Date: June 8, 2020 at 1:09:54 PM EDT

To: mayor@hamilton.ca, maureen.wilson@hamilton.ca, jason.farr@hamilton.ca, nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca, sam.merulla@hamilton.ca, chad.collins@hamilton.ca, tom.jackson@hamilton.ca, ester.pauls@hamilton.ca, ward8@hamilton.ca, brad.clark@hamilton.ca, maria.pearson@hamilton.ca, brenda.johnson@hamilton.ca, lloyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca, arleen.vanderbeek@hamilton.ca, terry.whitehead@hamilton.ca, judi.partridge@hamilton.ca

Subject: HAMILTON POLICE BODY CAMERAS

Dear City of Hamilton Elected Members,

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By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,
Joshua Sebastian

From:

Sent: June 3, 2020 8:42 PM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; jagmeet.singh@parl.gc.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

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Thank you for your time and attention.

Alexa Rose

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Hamilton Police Body Cameras

From: Rowan Post

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:12 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Body Cameras

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Sincerely,

Rowan Post

Pilon, Janet

Subject: HPS - Body Cameras**From:** Miles Oreskovic**Sent:** Tuesday, June 9, 2020 12:54 PM**To:** clerk@hamilton.ca**Subject:** HPS - Body Cameras

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Sincerely,

Miles Oreskovic

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-----Original Message-----

From: elijah nolet <

Sent: June 3, 2020 12:21 AM

To: horwatha-qp@ndp.on.ca; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; mtaylor-qp@ndp.on.ca; Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>; Jackson, Tom <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>; Pauls, Esther <Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca>; Ward 8 Office <ward8@hamilton.ca>; Clark, Brad <Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca>; Pearson, Maria <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>; Johnson, Brenda <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>; Ferguson, Lloyd <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>; judi.partridge@hamilton.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Officers & Body Cameras

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Jason Farr, City Council, General Issues Committee, Committee Against Racism, and the Hamilton Police,

I'm reaching out in regards to community safety and the recent displays of police brutality in Toronto. I am a citizen of Hamilton residing in Ward 2.

As a Hamilton citizen, it worries and disgusts me that the Hamilton police still do not have body cameras. The death of Regis Korchinski-Paquet is a prime example of why they are so important. You have voted against them 4 times, why is that, and what is the Hamilton police force trying to hide?

With the current state of unrest and tension between the Police and the public it is necessary to have complete transparency in order to hold our police accountable and keep our people safe. Body cameras are mandatory in many other cities, why is Hamilton an outlier? Making body cameras necessary would only elevate your law enforcement legitimacy as well as increase the communities confidence and trust in Police. In terms of safety, body cameras would reduce violent police interactions as both citizens and cops behave differently if they know they are being recorded.

Body cameras would improve training in the Police force as it would allow you to analyze and critique real life decision making, something that is important considering how often Police use unnecessary excessive force. It would allow you to analyze these interactions and ask questions, what prompted them to get violent? Is there a racial bias? With the exorbitant funding that the Hamilton Police receives with tax payer dollars, the city should be able to allocate funding to body cameras. This needs to be a priority.

Hamilton citizens do not feel safe in police presence, we do not feel protected. Your Police force needs to enforce more rigorous race and discrimination training in order for something to change. Body cameras are a small step towards regaining the public's trust.

As a citizen of Hamilton, I demand that body cameras be used by the Hamilton Police.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Eli Nolet

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Concern regarding Hamilton police

From: Hiva Nematollahi

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:01 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Hiva Nematollahi

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Body cameras on our police.

From: Ariana Moore

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:29 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; kristen.stevenson@hamilton.ca

Subject: Body cameras on our police.

Dear City of Hamilton elected officials

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the Hamilton Police Services 2020 budget of \$172 million from the total \$924 million operational budget for the City of Hamilton. This is roughly a 4% increase from the 2019 Police Services Budget. Despite this astronomically high budget, the Hamilton Police are not required to wear body cameras and the Hamilton Police Board has voted against the use of body cameras on four separate occasions. The Hamilton Police (on the City approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers. Comparatively, only \$158 million will be spent on social services, including transit and healthy/safe communities. In light of ongoing unrest between the public and police, it is crucial that the Hamilton Police Force begin to use body cameras. Body cameras can provide transparency and more accountability surrounding police use-of-force. I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

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3. Eliminate unnecessary budget increases to Hamilton Police Services.

In a recent statement issued by Police Chief Girt, Hamilton Police Services have acknowledged that instances of police brutality “erode public trust in police”. In order to uphold relationships with the public and reaffirm their commitment to order and diversity, the Hamilton Police Services should be required to use body cameras.

By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,

Ariana Moore

From: Madeleine Luvisa <

Sent: June 3, 2020 12:28 AM

To: horwatha-qp@ndp.on.ca; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; mtaylor-qp@ndp.on.ca; Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>; Jackson, Tom <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>; Pauls, Esther <Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca>; Ward 8 Office <ward8@hamilton.ca>; Clark, Brad <Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca>; Pearson, Maria <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>; Johnson, Brenda <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>; Ferguson, Lloyd <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>; judi.partridge@hamilton.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; ward14@hamilton.ca; Ward 1 Office <ward1@hamilton.ca>; ward2@hamilton.ca; Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann <ward3@hamilton.ca>; ward4@hamilton.ca; ward5@hamilton.ca; ward6@hamilton.ca; ward7@hamilton.ca; ward9@hamilton.ca; ward10@hamilton.ca; ward11@hamilton.ca; ward12@hamilton.ca; ward13@hamilton.ca; ward15@hamilton.ca
Subject: Hamilton Police Officers & Body Cameras

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Terry Whitehead, City Council, General Issues Committee, Committee Against Racism, and the Hamilton Police,

I'm reaching out in regards to community safety and the recent displays of police brutality in Toronto. I am a citizen of Hamilton residing in Ward 14.

As a Hamilton citizen, it worries and disgusts me that the Hamilton police still do not have body cameras. The death of Regis Korchinski-Paquet is a prime example of why they are so important. You have voted against them 4 times — why is that, and what is the Hamilton police force trying to hide?

With the current state of unrest and tension between the Police and the public it is necessary to have complete transparency in order to hold our police accountable and keep our people safe. Body cameras are mandatory in many other cities, why is Hamilton an outlier? Making body cameras necessary would only elevate your law enforcement legitimacy as well as increase the communities confidence and trust in Police. In terms of safety, body cameras would reduce violent police interactions as both citizens and cops behave differently if they know they are being recorded.

Body cameras would improve training in the Police force as it would allow you to analyze and critique real life decision making, something that is important considering how often Police use unnecessary excessive force. It would allow you to analyze these interactions and ask questions, what prompted them to get violent? Is there a racial bias? With the exorbitant funding that the Hamilton Police receives with tax payer dollars, the city should be able to allocate funding to body cameras. This needs to be a priority.

Hamilton citizens do not feel safe in police presence, we do not feel protected. Your Police force needs to enforce more rigorous race and discrimination training in order for something to change. Body cameras are a small step towards regaining the public's trust.

As a citizen of Hamilton, I demand that body cameras be used by the Hamilton Police.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Madeleine Luvisa

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-----Original Message-----

From: lababe <

Sent: June 3, 2020 3:40 PM

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Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

Hello,

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With the exorbitant funding that the Hamilton Police receives with taxpayer dollars, the city should be able to allocate funding to body cameras. This needs to be a priority. As a citizen of Hamilton, I demand that body cameras be used by the Hamilton Police.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sofia Labb

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From: Conor Goulden

Sent: June 4, 2020 4:37 PM

To: Jagmeet.Singh@parl.gc.ca; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Stevenson, Kirsten <Kirsten.Stevenson@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; judi.partridge@hamilton.ca; Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Ferguson, Lloyd <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>; Johnson, Brenda <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>; Pearson, Maria <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>; Clark, Brad <Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca>; Ward 8 Office <ward8@hamilton.ca>; Pauls, Esther <Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca>; Jackson, Tom <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>; Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; mtaylor-qp@ndp.on.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; horwatha-qp@ndp.on.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

Hello,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns regarding community safety, anti-Black racism and violence particularly at the hands of police, and body cameras. I am a Hamilton resident living in Ward # 13.

As a Hamilton citizen, it worries and disgusts me that the Hamilton police still do not have body cameras. Referencing information provided on the city website, the police force's budget increased by 19 million dollars in 2020 – yet the police force and city council have sighted "cost concerns" when deflecting the implementation of body cameras, a request which has been voted against a total of 4 times.

As a student of McMaster, as well as a future nurse, I feel that it is my responsibility and obligation to see justice carried out, and see increased protection for my community as a whole. My job is not limited to protecting the safety and well-being of my patients and clients, but of the population at large as well. For me to do this, I need support, and I need all of your assistance. It is our collective duty, obligation, and requirement to ensure the safety of EVERY community member – not just the ones whose protection comes easily and with little resistance.

With the current state of unrest and tension between the Police and the public, it is necessary to have complete transparency in order to hold our police accountable and keep our people safe. Body cameras are mandatory in many other cities, why is Hamilton an outlier? Making body cameras necessary would not only elevate your law enforcement legitimacy, as well as increase community safety. I urge you to incentivize police to adopt body cameras by withholding funds until they do so, or defunding them to penalize their resistance.

With the exorbitant funding that the Hamilton Police receives with taxpayer dollars, the city should be able to allocate funding to body cameras. This needs to be a priority. As a citizen of Hamilton, I demand that body cameras be used by the Hamilton Police.

Let it be known that wearing body cameras can aid in any false accusations, or accounts from officers of the Hamilton Police which lie in a gray area to be dismantled. This will provide protection to our community – including our police officers.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Conor Goulden , Student #: 400130983
(He/Him/His)

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BRIGHTER WORLD



Pilon, Janet

Subject: Delegation

From: Michelle Gauthier

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 10:35 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Delegation

Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am sure that you are aware that the world is in anger right now, trying to bring light and justice to a corrupt system. I appreciate the time that will be taken to read what I have to say. Now, while there are many things that I feel Hamilton could be doing differently, I want to bring your attention and interest to a couple points specifically.

The first one, is my inquiry and concerns about why the Hamilton Police Board has voted against the use of body cameras for a 4th time. I understand that there will be a cost at the beginning getting everything set up, but for the safety of police officers and civilians I fail to understand. I know that the CBC article had stated "There were 331 police complaints between 2016 and 2018, the report said, which makes up "less than one percent of interactions with the public", but that is 331 filed complaints. How many riots/protests have happened from our indigenous, LGBTQ+ community, and our black community in response to how the police have responded to circumstances? How many of those included in the previously mentioned groups fear to file a complaint or to fight back (peacefully) against a system that targets them?

Wearing body cameras would hold the police accountable as well as protect them. With evidence of situations, not only would the police board be able to stand behind police actions (if they were in the right), but they would also be able to protect the citizens with disciplinary action towards any officer that has crossed a line. There would be no grey area of doubts. In an article I've recently read, it was stated that

" In a 2014 study funded by the Office of Justice Programs Diagnostic Center, researcher Michael White noted that earlier evaluations of body-worn cameras found a number of beneficial outcomes for law enforcement agencies.^[5] The earliest studies conducted in the United Kingdom indicated that body-worn cameras resulted in positive interactions between officers and citizens and made people feel safer. Reductions in citizen complaints were noted, as were similar reductions in crime. The studies found that the use of body-worn cameras led to increases in arrests, prosecutions, and guilty pleas.^[6] From an efficiency standpoint, the use of the technology reportedly enabled officers to resolve criminal cases faster and spend less time preparing paperwork, and it resulted in fewer people choosing to go to trial."

As you can see, there are benefits to the whole community, police officers included. Less costs for the court system, less paperwork for police which means they have more time to be in the field PROTECTING our citizens.

Even if the Hamilton police start with some cameras. One per pairing of officers, or even half-shift rotations that they would have to upload the footage between officers to keep everyone accountable. I am willing to do more research and to write my concerns to the police chief as well. But as you are the mayor of the city, I felt that you also needed to hear these concerns, to protect your city-folk.

I had mentioned I had a couple concerns. The second one is just to make sure the police are on top of their trainings. How to de-escalate situations without force. I know how beneficial that can be, as I took a non-

violent de-escalation course in school for working with individuals with disabilities. Officers NEED to be trained to know how to de-escalate situations. It will reduce violence, unnecessary deaths, and even keep the police officers safer. While I am appalled that I feel the need to state the positives for the police force, instead of just civilians, I know that is the way the system works. What is most beneficial for those implementing these changes. I can tell you, the benefits of protecting the community and creating trust and respect will be insurmountable. While I fear (and know) that our minorities (black, indigenous, LGBTQ+) fear their lives every day, many times from police and authority, I know I cannot single-handedly change it. We need your support and action.

The time is now to change. We're in 2020 and yet there is still huge discrimination and oppression, and Mr. Eisenberger, Black lives do matter. Changes in Hamilton can ignite change throughout the province. I know you want to be part of that change. If these concerns and suggestions are not things the Police Service are willing to incorporate, please consider re-distributing funds and resources to a team/force that will be willing and have the power to de-escalate situations properly and to accountability.

Thank you for taking the time to read through this, to understand how important it is to not only me, but the community as a whole.

-Michelle Gauthier

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call to Action For Body-worn Cameras

From: Erica Clarke

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 5:59 PM

To: Office of the Mayor

Cc: Stevenson, Kirsten; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Call to Action For Body-worn Cameras

Dear Mayor Eisenberger

My name is Erica Clarke and I am a resident in Ward 5. I am reaching out to you regarding a matter that has been heavy on my mind and heart. I am sure that you are aware of the tragic death of George Floyd at the hands of 4 Minneapolis Police Officers on May 25th. This brutal act of violence, perpetrated by the very people who are supposedly hired to keep citizens safe, amounted to nothing less than state-sponsored murder. While many Canadians like to shelter themselves with the idea that we are less violent and more tolerant than our southern neighbours, the truth is that this kind of behaviour could happen in Canada too. Two days later on May 27th, 29-year-old Regis Korchinski-Paquet tragically fell from the 24th floor of an apartment building during a police encounter. I was absolutely horrified by this. It is absolutely unacceptable that people with emergency response training would allow this to happen under their supervision. This death was criminal negligence at best and cold-blooded murder at worst. What I learned about this tragic death is that there is no video of the incident. Not just from eyewitnesses, but also from Toronto Police. Because the Toronto Police Department does not use body-worn cameras.

What if what happened to George Floyd happened here in Hamilton? What if what happened to Regis Korchinski-Paquet happened here in Hamilton? Outside of eyewitness testimony and eyewitness video footage, we would only have the word of those involved. That makes the job of a unit like the Special Investigations Unit extremely difficult because the Hamilton Police Department does not use body-worn cameras. They have not even engaged in a trial run. This is unacceptable.

I understand the high costs associated with such an endeavor, but the fact that the use of body cameras comes with positives like protection for police and citizens alike, accountability for those charged to protect and serve, and improved public perception, it is time that the Hamilton Police Force take this on and find a way to fit this in their budget given that it would only consist of 1.6% to implement based on the Hamilton Police Budget for 2020. I do understand that the acceptance of this measure lies with the police board, but this measure has been turned down one time too many by Hamilton Police. Especially at a time when public distrust in the police and city is definitely high with situations like their interactions with the LGBTQ+ community revolving around Pride, the issues surrounding the Yellow Vests at City Hall, much less the strained relationship with Black, Brown and Indigenous Communities. This can no longer continue.

As Mayor of Hamilton, there is no greater voice than yours. No voice that would have a greater reach or impact. As Mayor and member of the Hamilton Police Board, your voice, along with those of your fellow city councillors would carry more influence with your fellow Hamilton Police Board members and Police Chief Eric Girt. While there are other measures that can and should be addressed, this is one that can be addressed and implemented sooner. Calls from our city leaders for body-worn cameras to be adopted by the Hamilton Police Department need to begin now.

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Kind regards,
Erica Clarke

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-----Original Message-----

From: Olivia Bozzo

Sent: June 3, 2020 3:43 PM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Hamilton Police Officers and Body Cameras

Hello,

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Thank you for your time and attention.

Olivia Bozzo

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Police Service Budget Concerns**From:** Mary Chu**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 2:15 PM**To:** Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; chad.collin@hamilton.ca; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; clerk@hamilton.ca**Subject:** Police Service Budget Concerns

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In a recent statement issued by Police Chief Girt, Hamilton Police Services have acknowledged that instances of police brutality “erode public trust in police”. In order to uphold relationships with the public and reaffirm their commitment to order and diversity, the Hamilton Police Services should be required to use body cameras.

By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,

Mary Chu

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Urgent - Protect Our Students HWDSB!

From: Hannah Duckworth

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:35 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Urgent - Protect Our Students HWDSB!

To the HWDSB Community,

I am emailing to demand the suspension of the Police Liaison Program in the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) and demanding that the HWDSB end their relationship with the Hamilton Police. With the recent termination of police partnerships in [Minneapolis](#), [Portland](#) and in the [Toronto District School Board \(TDSB\)](#), I believe that this is entirely possible and must be done to protect the safety and lives of Black students not only when Black death is viral, but rather at all times. Black, Indigenous and Racialized students deserve to be safe in their schools and the removal of police presence is the first step towards this. I was a student in the HWDSB for 14 years of my life and I have seen how dangerous the Hamilton Police are for our students across the board first hand. My friends and family who are teachers within the board can attest to this as well.

Although the Police Liaison Program is different from the TDSB SRO program, they result in the same type of intimidation tactics. Officers are not *stationed* at schools, but rather they are called into schools at the discretion of the administrators. There is no regulation for how often officers enter schools, and they are often used as the muscle of principals/ teachers. The HWDSB Kids Need Help coalition recently released a [report](#) with HCCI that details student experiences of discomfort, intimidation and racism at the hands of police. The group also released demands for the school board to terminate this program on June 2nd with a [coalition of Black and Racialized organizers across Hamilton](#).

The Ontario Human Rights Commission has previously described Hamilton Police as engaging in a ["textbook description of racial profiling"](#). It is deeply concerning to me that students are exposed to these practices in their schools and in Hamilton.

I want to be clear: I am not asking for the regulation of this program -- I am asking for the termination of this program and the termination of the HWDSB's relationship with the Hamilton Police Service.

Organizers in Hamilton and across Ontario have been advocating for the termination of student liaison programs across the entire province. Just as anti-Black racism has been found to be [pervasive in the Peel District School Board](#). I am confident that the same issues and struggles exist in the HWDSB today. If the HWDSB is serious about protecting their Black, Indigenous and Racialized students, then the HWDSB must terminate this program immediately.

We will be tuning in to both the June 8th and June 22nd board meetings to hold you accountable on your decisions.

Thank you,

Hannah Duckworth

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Social Workers in Schools

From: M Gray

Date: June 7, 2020 at 9:31:31 AM EDT

To: "Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca" <Nrinder.Nann@Hamilton.ca>

Subject: Social Workers in Schools

Hello Councillor;

I am a Ward 3 resident and I believe Social Workers not police officers should be working with students in our schools.

Thanks,

Melody Gray

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Police Presence in Hamilton Schools

From: Emily Upper

Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 5:40 PM

To: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Police Presence in Hamilton Schools

To the board of trustees,

My name is Emily Upper. I am a librarian and I live in Ward 2. I am concerned about the presence of police in schools. The board of trustees' decision to not terminate the Police liaison program and further, the decision to not suspend the police liaison program while it is under review despite school closures due to COVID 19, is deeply concerning.

The conversation around needing more data is ignoring the data that racialized and Black students have been collecting for years. It is actively ignoring the voices of some of our most vulnerable students. In the Toronto District School Board (TDSB), following the termination of the SRO (School Resource Officer) program, [suspensions for the 2018/2019 school year dropped by 24% with 1,771 fewer suspensions as the previous year and expulsions dropped by 53% with 34 fewer expulsions.](#) Police officers in schools intimidate and harass Black, racialized, poor, immigrant, queer, trans, disabled, poor and immigrant students.

In Hamilton, Black youth in the city are being carded in their schools. Black students are being wrongfully arrested and are unsafe due to police presence. A police force with a history of carding and violence against vulnerable communities should not be allowed to make decisions about student safety. The Ontario Human Rights Commission has previously described Hamilton Police as engaging in a ["textbook description of racial profiling."](#) It is deeply concerning to me that students are exposed to these practices in their schools and in Hamilton.

I want to be clear: I am not asking for a review as a review will only prolong the presence of police in schools. The data is clear. I am asking for the termination of this program and the termination of HWDSB's relationship with the Hamilton Police Service.

On June 16th, the human rights and equity advisory committee to the Trustee Board voted unanimously to support the call for the termination of the police liaison program. A motion for the termination of the police program will be put forward and I am asking that on June 22nd you vote to terminate the police liaison program.

Thank you,
Emily Upper

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Use Your Power for a Better Canada for All

From: Leah Avery

Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 7:43 PM

To: cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca

Subject: Use Your Power for a Better Canada for All

Hello,

I am emailing you regarding police presence in Hamilton schools. I await your response.

As evidenced by the TDSB studies and their decision to remove police from schools, police directly contribute to the devastating school-to-prison pipeline and traumatize BIPOC every day. When TDSB removed police from schools, suspensions decreased 24% and expulsions decreased 53%.

You have power which was given to you by this community. It is time to use this power to take direction from Black and Indigenous community leaders who call for the immediate defunding and removal of police from their communities, including schools.

As an educated, middle class, able bodied white woman, I want to also ask you to please realize that everyone in this society has been raised to think that white people know the best solution to every problem. The time is now to override this programming and to finally listen to Black and Indigenous community leaders. Take your lead from people with lived experience and use your power to create a safer Hamilton for everyone, not just for white, middle to upper class, able bodied, heterosexual people.

On June 22nd, will you vote to terminate the police liaison program?

Please advise,
Leah

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Police System

From: laura biondo

Sent: June 3, 2020 7:33 PM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Fw: Police System

Hello there,

I am sure you are just as shocked as I am about the events happening with people of colour. We need to put an end to systemic racism and police brutality. The police system is built upon white supremacy, power and control. We need radical change. Please take a moment to think about the position you are in to help make permanent changes to the law system in Canada. We should be demanding change. We need to get police more education, training, mental health evaluations, moral evaluations, physical evaluations, time off between tragic events on duty to their next shift, held more accountable for their actions and overall revamp the police system. Police are covering for each other and literally get away with murder because "they followed protocols". They are following protocols based off a racist built system. It is and always will be inherently unfair to anyone who is not white. Police will always be protected even if in the moral wrong. The way police treat people of colour, LGBT+, trans, poor, drug addicts, prostitutes, and now people in general is disgusting. Power tripping, righteous, and half the time don't even know most laws. How can we change this?

By demanding a defunding of the police. OR funding the proper things instead of weapons and tactic gear, like education.

We need an infrastructure based on human rights, equality, mental health and helping people.

We do not need fear, intimidation and power tripping.

We need to start holding them accountable. Police need body cameras.

We need to start helping them become calmer instead of getting military like offense training. Mental health training. De-escalation tactics.

Ways and options to handle a situation before pulling a gun or placing their hand on gun.

Rubber bullets should be used only for an active shooter or person with a visible weapon.

We should not be intimidated by them. They should not be able to bully us into being arrested for our opinions.

There should be a clearer understanding of what constitutes a police officer's right to put their hands on you and also take you into custody.

The use of tear gas and gassing people in general should be banned. People have asthma and can die. It is very unnecessary and violent.

The use of police force should be minimized. Placing your hands on someone should only happen if they are under arrest.

Random searches should be banned. Random searches based on random calls should be banned. No knock raids should be banned.

Police should be receiving more training on how to handle situations calmly instead of violently and by intimidating.

They should go through ongoing evaluations and different classes like anger management and therapists. Teachers do this. Professional development, and we are held to it by an association and our bosses.

Pepper spray should only be used if someone is a threat coming towards them. Again, some people have asthma and can die.

We have so many people like ME in the system for police unprofessionalism or lack of education. It backs up the system and makes jails full and clerks stressed.

Racial profiling is real. If they had more moral evaluations done and education on how to treat people, police wouldn't be so biased.

We should have police that run off similar good positive morals. They should be receiving this education in school and on the force. That way, officers go into the force with behaviour management skills, people skills, mental health skills, de-escalation tactics, ways to help instead of arrest, etc. We need police for the people.

ALL PEOPLE.

These are only a few of many things/laws that should change. We need to change the system completely.

We are not innocent until proven guilty. I am a white female in Hamilton. I am a teacher. I was attacked by two people on my way home from work. I ran for my life to my home after defending myself. I called police and was arrested immediately without my side of the story. I then spent 20-30 minutes hyperventilating and panicking as I have high anxiety. I was on the floor in a room in my apartment lobby with two male police officers with the door closed. The two officers were young and just stood there the entire time. They had no idea how to handle my anxiety and stood there above me. I felt so intimidated and voiced multiple times that I was confused and scared. I was arrested, brought to the station, booked and then let go. While I was in police custody, the two officers' broke protocol and was told this by their commanding officer in front of me. This goes to show how uneducated they were. This put my career in jeopardy. This has caused me have extreme stress, anxiety, panic attacks when driving and seeing police and financial strain due to a lawyer. Those police officers were under trained and uneducated. This is unjust and is just the tip of the iceberg, but this is NOTHING compared to what people of colour go through. I couldn't imagine if this is how I was treated, how people of colour and minority groups are treated by police. I see it. You see it. It is time to stand up and use your position to make permanent changes in the law system. Hamilton police are out of control and need to be held accountable. Our system is outdated and broken. We need our human rights back and communities need help. It shouldn't be police VS the people like a warzone. We need drastic change for the better. Any police who do not agree with the new system and laws can leave, and they won't because then they will be seen as negative racists; forcing them to change as well. Now is the time to hold them accountable and to make a change. We need police officers to admit they are wrong and then take more training, not paid leave. I SHOULDN'T BE AFRAID OF POLICE. I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO FEEL LIKE I CAN'T CALL THEM. PLEASE HEAR ME AND HELP. YOU CAN BE PART OF THE CHANGE IN HISTORY.

If there is anything I can do to help. Please let me know.

Thank you for reading,
Laura Biondo



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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Council/Committee meeting

From: clerk@hamilton.ca <clerk@hamilton.ca>

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 12:30 PM

To: Pilon, Janet <Janet.Pilon@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Fw: Council/Committee meeting

From: Sarah Warry-Poljanski

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 11:30 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Council/Committee meeting

Dear Council, Mr Mayor, and other recipients of this note,

I am writing to you today to discuss the recent events unfolding all across the world in regards to the horrific murder of George Floyd by an on duty police officer, and the call to defund police services locally and world wide. It has come to my attention and to that of others across the city that council and police board members are considering cutting our police services due to the request of political groups within the city. Something I feel is wrong, as do others who have asked me to send this email and speak on their behalf.

While I'm not going to even pretend to know, or say I understand how the family of George Floyd feels, or how it feels to be part of the African American community and see acts of racism still occurring in the year 2020, I can say I know why many people are angry in general with the police. I can also say that the rule of law and public safety of the community should not be used as a political gesture or pseudo apology as it may create more issues for our own citizens than finding where the problems are and attempting to solve them to prevent further issues.

I have had my own issues with police, but I know that in any profession, there will be some bad apples. And while I've experienced police using excessive force and demeaning language to myself, it is nothing compared to what others may have, or near the issue at hand being protested which is severe police brutality and murder by the very people we trust to serve and protect us. I can say I get why people are upset and demanding change, but I have also seen the other side of the police officers in this city. I've seen first hand the hard work and dedication they display to the community. And defunding any amount to the police services may cause more issues than the ones we face now.

From my research, and someone can correct me if I'm wrong, in the past 20 years, Hamilton has seen 7 deaths of civilians by on duty police officers. From 2009 to 2019 there were 98 murders of Hamilton civilians by other civilians. . <https://www.hamiltonnews.com/news-story/9487837-hamilton-homicides-what-do-10-years-of-cases-tell-us-about-killings-in-the-city/>

In Canada, the estimated death by cop rate per year is between 15 and 25 people. Also in Canada the estimated death by medical malpractice is estimated at 28,000. Between 1250 and 1500 people are killed each year by drunk driving. 45,000 people die from smoking. And 1000 people from the flu. No doctors, booze, cigarettes, car, or flus are being defunded and banned. Better policy and protocol is being put in place to lower those deaths. This is the most logical and rational thing to do.

There have been 5 (on record) murders in Hamilton alone this year as of May 21, 2020. 2 less deaths than police murders in 20 years . How many could there have been with less police? I am not sure but I think we shouldnt be willing to risk that and find out. Id like to point out that when people become afraid, they do strange things. Recently we saw store selves emptied of food , toilet paper and other resources with Covid panic. I want to ask what do you think people will be stocking up on if they know police resources are being lowered or even removed? How many people at city hall will take responsibility for blood on their hands when someone cant get help from a 911 call because some social engineering experiment is being tried?

Id like to be provided with answers to the following questions along with estimated times of arrival of officers after 911 calls are placed if we cut the police budget.

Who will respond to the calls for help with domestic abuse for both straight and same sex couples, and sexual assaults? Slower response times due to cut backs mean abusers will have more time to flee or stay on the scene and harm their victims.

Who will tend to calls about child abuse, violence and acts of crimes between youth, catching and prosecuting child predators who are on our streets and hiding behind computer screens, and who will help find runaway children and those who have been abducted? Children will be victimized and harmed at higher rates and more will be lured to gangs and drugs without reasonable police intervention due to cut backs .

Who will respond to incidents of harrassment and hate crimes against the LGBTQ community, minority groups, or religious citizens being targeted ? Hamilton is said to have the highest numbers of hate crimes , per self reported incidents.

Who will arrest those who are committing crimes of theft, assault, B and E, and murder? I dont know how many crimes go unsolved each year and suspects arent caught, but I am sure it will go up.

Who will keep our streets safe from large amounts of gun and gang violence, and drug and human trafficking? We might as well start dropping bricks laced with carfentanil and watch the over dose rates jump to several hundred people a year in Hamilton alone. if we are spreading our resources out thin, time will be lost in areas that are becoming growing concerns.

Who will police the streets so drivers arent acting reckless and endangering other drivers and citizens. We just saw police nab many people for acting like idiots on our streets. Why go to the track when no one can stop you racing down King St at 10 am. With less police resources, traffic policing would be lowered to tend to other issues.

Who will help the Mayor when the Mayor wakes up to masked people on his private property harassing and yelling at him, it's the police who provided protection and cleared his yard when this happened . Will he hire private security or will my tax dollars still fund this service?

Now add every other duty and task our officers perform at he station and behind the scenes.

My educational background is in addictions and criminal psychology and behaviour. The recitivism rate for convicted criminals is never going to be 0. With that, it is questionable as to what programs the city will throw in to place that will make criminals stop. I have worked front line with the homeless population, those experiencing addiction and mental health, and male young offenders. As much as some uninformed people like to think these are targets for police, these populations will suffer without law enforcement or lessened services due to cuts. As will most of society's most vulnerable populations. Cutting services and attempting to reallocate other professions to do policing work may very well endanger all parties involved, physically and psychologically. If we are going to discuss moving police duties to professionals working in mental health, addiction, and homelessness, we will need those who work in those areas as well as stats and other research to look at viable solutions before a reinventing the wheel situation occurs quickly.

As someone who has personally lobbied locally for police to carry naloxone to make sure as first responders they can save the lives of those who may be having an overdose, I know officers are doing more and more progressive work in the area of becoming educated on addiction, mental health and poverty. Change takes time, but Ive seen we are moving forward. Without a doubt the ongoing training and use of technology will provide promising results in regards to those who use excessive force, racial profiling, and other wrong doing.

The bottom line is there are good people and there are bad ones in any job and any career. We can't generalize an entire group of people based on the behaviour of some of them. This would make us no different when we demand the end of stigmatization and generalizing of entire bodies of people by police and others. We cannot let the bad overshadow the good and ignore the need for public safety. And we cant let those whose safety may be compromised, be left without help.

This is a time for us as a community and society not to rally for the disbandment or defunding of those who took an oath to serve and protect, but to demand they do just that. That those police who do a disservice to the community and their fellow officers become more accountable , and justice be served to those who take advantage of their position. To ensure that in any hierchy which places a person in a position of power above another, that there be very clear and enforceable consequences for those who wish to take advantage of that position. This be not only for police, but government and people in positions who work for the betterment of society . The public needs trust, and all people in a position where a power struggle can occur need to be held to a higher standard with real transparency and accountability. If an officer is found to have taken a life of a citizen, they should serve the same sentencing as any other person convicted of murder. Cutting services isnt going to stop a problem, better policy and training is.

We have the opportunity at this time to mourn those whove suffered at the hands of those in power and get justice by ensuring change , while also respecting those in the police force who work hard and make our communities a better place.

Thank you ,

Sarah

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police Service

From: Claire Bodkin

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:22 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police Service

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

My name is Claire Bodkin and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Delta East, Ward 4. I am writing to voice my support for the demands from Black community members to defund the police and reinvest in services that truly empower our entire community to be safe. This is an essential step in addressing anti-Black racism in our city. We have seen time and again how police reforms are not enough - we must scale back policing dramatically and instead invest in housing, mental health supports, and other services that support people instead of harming them.

I am a physician training to become a family doctor, a queer person, and a community member. As a doctor, I see how police responding to mental health calls can result in people in crisis being shot and killed, like Quinn MacDougall. As a queer person, I see how police selectively enforce the law and in doing so allowed queer people to be physically assaulted at Pride 2019 in Gage Park. As a community member, I listen to and believe my neighbours when they tell me that Black and Indigenous people are targeted by police. And as a community organizer, I believe collectively that we can make Hamilton, ON better by listening to these demands and implementing them.

So, I am asking you to consider these demands released last week by Black organizers in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States, especially the ones that pertain to the City of Hamilton:

A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

Demands:

- **We call on the city of Hamilton to defund the Hamilton police.**
- **We call on the city of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the police towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing.**
- **We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.**
- **We demand that the Hamilton Police Services halt all purchases with tax dollars of weapons (guns, rifles, etc).**
- **We demand that the Hamilton Police Services cease the ticketing and surveilling of homeless and disabled people in Hamilton, and that there be a moratorium on the hiring of police constables in Hamilton given the documented over-surveilling of homeless people during the pandemic.**
- **We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop surveilling communities, and that they halt the expenditure of tax dollars on high tech surveillance equipment.**
- **We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop targeting and criminalizing activists and communities pushing back against Yellow Vesters and other forms of white supremacy.**
- We call on McMaster University (President & Board of Governors) to immediately terminate Glenn De Caire's contract. De Caire was forced to resign from Hamilton police after he was caught saying incredibly racist things to other police officers. De Caire also has a history of violent policing that targets houseless people as well as Black people.
- In line with the demands of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Kids Need Help Coalition, we demand that the HWDSB immediately remove School Resource Officers (SROs) out of all schools and fully fund a public review of police violence that occurred in their schools.
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- We demand that the provincial police act be rewritten to give municipalities full control over police boards. Currently, in Hamilton, the Hamilton Police Services operates as an autonomous body, giving municipalities little to no oversight in terms of what they invest in and the ways that they militarize themselves.
- We demand that the province of Ontario work with grassroots groups to divest taxpayer money across the Province (Hamilton - \$171M, Ottawa - \$319M, Waterloo - \$182M, Halton Region - \$162M, London \$123M, Niagara - \$154M, Sudbury - \$63M) from policing and invest it towards community initiatives with the goal of moving completely toward transformative justice practices.
- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit, which has a provincial mandate, needs to be 100% composed of people living in the city with which the investigation is being conducted.
- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit needs to be composed completely of Black, racialized and Indigenous peoples with no current or former ties to the policing sector.
- The SIU must begin collecting and publicly releasing race-based statistics on all fatalistic encounters between police officers and civilians. No more inquiries-- direct action needs to be taken as a result of the investigation into anti-Black racism that occurred in the 90's and again in 2014 with the establishment and subsequent defunding of the Anti-Racism Directorate.

- In light of COVID-19, We demand that all prisoners being held and who are awaiting trial at the Barton Jail facility be released immediately, and that the outrageous costs of ankle monitors and other means of surveilling those who are released be waived.

Sincerely,
Claire Bodkin

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: 2020 Hamilton Police Budget - Call For Action/Defunding

From: **Kelly Ebers**

Date: Sat, Jun 6, 2020 at 4:27 PM

Subject: 2020 Hamilton Police Budget - Call For Action/Defunding

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>, <sam.merulla@hamilton.ca>

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Councillor Sam Merulla,

I am writing to you today to express my outrage regarding the Hamilton Police Service budget of **\$172 million from the total \$935 million 2020 Preliminary operating budget** for the City of Hamilton (an increase of 3.8% since 2019). This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics and public housing combined. Following the recent horrific death of young Black and Indigenous people in Canada, I call upon our elected officials to **start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Service immediately**.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To **never again** vote to increase the Hamilton Police Service budget.
2. To prioritize the expansion of **community-led health and safety initiatives** over future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Service.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to **reduce funding in these ways**:

x Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases

x Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements

x Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.

An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, social workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton.**

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Kelly Ebers

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From: Michael Schnittker <

Sent: June 3, 2020 5:20 PM

To: Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Police Violence and Anti-Black Racism

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor, Nrinder Nann, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about anti-Black racism and violence, especially at the hands of police. I am a Hamilton resident living in ward 3.

We need greater transparency and communication after the loss of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, a Black woman in emotional distress who was killed instead of receiving medical help. Regis is only the most recent instance of a Black person dying in an encounter with police, something that has been happening in Canada for decades. Just last month, the Peel police shot D'Andre Campbell. Before that, countless others. The police in Canada have a long history of race-based violence. This is because our police system was designed for the purpose of containing and criminalizing Black and Indigenous peoples. Data reveals that Toronto's Black residents are 20 times more likely to be killed by police officers than white residents, despite having a much smaller population in the city overall. In addition, 70% of individuals who die in encounters with police struggle with mental health or substance use issues, or both. Racism in ALL Canadian cities is prevalent and real and I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to criminalize members of the Black community.

It is time to learn from the cyclical police violence unfolding throughout North America and commit ourselves to change before any more Black people are harmed in a police encounter. We need to start divesting from the systematically violent police services, and establish a long-term plan for community-led health and safety initiatives. The police force of Hamilton is overfunded and contrary to their mission, causing more violence and harm in our communities.

To start, I would like to see the Hamilton police budget reduced by at least 20% over the next 2 years and their operating budget made public. I would like to see those tax dollars permanently reallocated into social services, education, mental health programs, supervised injection sites, jobs and affordable housing. These are the vital services we will need to bounce back from the pandemic and keep our communities safe. Strengthening municipal social supports will reduce crime by addressing the issues that lead to it at their source.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Michael Schnittker

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call to Remove SROs and Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Adrian Underhill

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:59 PM

To: gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; Director; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; Partridge, Judi; Whitehead, Terry; VanderBeek, Arlene; Ferguson, Lloyd; Johnson, Brenda; Pearson, Maria; Clark, Brad; Danko, John-Paul; Pauls, Esther; Jackson, Tom; Collins, Chad; Merulla, Sam; Nann, Nrinder; Farr, Jason; Wilson, Maureen; Office of the Mayor; clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten

Cc: HWDSB kids

Subject: Call to Remove SROs and Divest from Hamilton Police

Hi there,

My name is Adrian Underhill and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 1. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of Police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Thank you,
Adrian Underhill

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Policing in Hamilton

From: Jessica Hymers

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:59 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Policing in Hamilton

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Hello,

My name is Jessica Hymers.

I am sending this letter to show my support for and endorsement of the demands made last week by black and racialized activists regarding the policing of black and racialized communities in Hamilton. I've attached a document outlining their demands and some links to articles and studies supporting why you should seriously consider doing your part to have them met.

It is important to listen to the voices and experiences of those you claim to serve. This can be a big step for that and can be an opportunity for Hamilton to set a positive example in this time of a global pandemic, and growing inquiries and understanding of Canada's racist roots.

Thank you for your time, your labour, and considerations.

Jessica Hymers

To those invested in taking tangible action to eliminate white supremacy in the institutions they work in and benefit from,

Earlier this month, black and racialized organizers across the city made a list of specific demands addressing local institutions in the municipality of Hamilton, Ontario, the colonially occupied lands of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Mississaugas, Haudensaunee and Anishnaabeg. Here are those demands:

City Hall:

1. We call on the City of Hamilton to defund Hamilton Police Services (HPS) (1-3, 11, 12).
2. We call on the City of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the policing sector to be delegated towards initiatives fighting food insecurity, racism and affordable housing & social services (4, 9-10, 15, 19, 36, 43, 44).
3. We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing homeless people for existing in public (5-6, 48).

Hamilton Police Services (HPS):

1. Release accounting on taxes used to surveil & police Black, Indigenous, and other racialized communities (7-8, 45).
2. Halt purchases of weapons and high tech surveillance equipment, and cease surveillance (46-47).
3. Cease ticketing homeless and disabled people and forgive current charges (5-6, 48).
4. Stop targeting activists & communities building community responses to active white supremacist groups (6, 26-27).

Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB):

1. We demand that the HWDSB remove police SRO's from schools & fund public review of police violence that occurred in Schools.
2. We demand that the school board refrain from calling ops on kids (28)
3. We demand that the HWDSB collect & release data on documents the disciplinary action against students by race and gender. (64)
4. We demand that HWDSB implement a community run alternative to disciplinary action based on principles of restorative justice (37-39).

McMaster University

1. We call on McMaster University (President & Board of Hiring) to immediately terminate Glenn DeCaire's contract (13-14, 16).
2. We demand that DeCaire, alongside special constables on campus cease policing students. Black students across Ontario have experienced violence at the hands of campus police. (20, 23).
3. Join with other Universities (such as University of Minnesota) in cutting ties with police

departments (18, 24-25).

Ontario:

1. We demand that the Police Services Act (Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1 - Bill 68) be rewritten to give municipalities full control over police boards
2. We demand that the province of Ontario work with grassroots groups to divest from policing & invest in community initiatives with the goal of moving completely toward transformative justice (61).
3. The SIU needs to be composed completely of Black, Racialized and Indigenous Peoples with no current or former ties to the policing sector (29-35, 40-42).
4. SIU must begin collecting and publicly releasing race-based statistics on all fatalistic encounters between police and civilians. No more inquiries – direct action needs to be taken.
5. In light of COVID-19, we demand that all prisoners being held & awaiting trial at the Barton Jail Facility be released immediately, and that outrageous costs of ankle monitors & other means of surveilling those who are released be waived (21-22).

The City of Hamilton (49), Hamilton Police Services (51), the HWDSB (50), McMaster University (54), and the Province of Ontario (53) have all made statements regarding their stance on racism. Unfortunately their statements are based on a definition of racism as "bigotry and slander". This definition is limited in that it does not address the structural violence experienced by racialized people. Instead, we ask that these institutions adopt a definition of racism that incorporates an understanding that power is the primary feature of racism (63). In simple terms, Racism = Racial Prejudice + Power (where power is defined as, "authority granted through social structures and conventions—possibly supported by force or the threat of force—and access to means of communications and resources, to reinforce racial prejudice, regardless of the falsity of the underlying prejudiced assumption"; 63).

We petition these institutions (The City of Hamilton, Hamilton Police Services, the HWDSB, McMaster University, and the Province of Ontario) to seriously consider their deep racist roots, and begin to phase out their illegitimate access to power inherited from Canada's history of Slavery (58-59), Indigenous Genocide (55-57), and it's contribution to Apartheid Models (60) implemented by other Colonial States and Institutions. The institutions named above can set an example for the world by implementing these specific and practical demands.

We ask that as you prepare to meet these demands you educate yourselves on the importance of the actions being demanded of you. Meeting these demands is a necessary step in being accountable to your commitment to anti-racism and to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (52). Though educating ourselves in the matters of anti-racism, systemic racism, and structural violence is a lifelong process, we have kindly gathered resources which support these organizers demands.

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From: lee meszaros <

Sent: June 3, 2020 2:01 PM

To: Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Nann, Nrinder <Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Police Violence and Anti-Black Racism

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Nrinder Nann, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about anti-Black racism and violence, especially at the hands of police. I am a Hamilton resident living in ward 3.

We need greater transparency and communication after the loss of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, a Black woman in emotional distress who was killed instead of receiving medical help. Regis is only the most recent instance of a Black person dying in an encounter with police, something that has been happening in Canada for decades. Just last month, D'Andre Campbell was shot by the Peel police. Before that, countless others. The police in Canada have a long history of race-based violence. This is because our police system was designed for the purpose of containing and criminalizing Black and Indigenous peoples. Data reveals that Toronto's Black residents are 20 times more likely to be killed by police officers than white residents, despite having a much smaller population in the city overall. In addition, 70% of individuals who die in encounters with police struggle with mental health or substance use issues, or both. Racism in ALL Canadian cities is prevalent and real and I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to criminalize members of the Black community.

It is time to learn from the cyclical police violence unfolding throughout North America and commit ourselves to change before any more Black people are harmed in a police encounter. We need to start **divesting from the systematically violent police services**, and establish a **long-term plan for community-led health and safety initiatives**. **The police force of Hamilton is overfunded and contrary to their mission, causing more violence and harm in our communities.**

To start, I would like to see the Hamilton police budget reduced by at least 20% over the next 2 years and their operating budget made public. I would like to see those tax dollars permanently reallocated into social services, education, mental health programs, supervised injection sites, jobs and affordable housing. These are the vital services we will need to bounce back from the pandemic and keep our communities safe. Strengthening municipal social supports will reduce crime by addressing the issues that lead to it at their source.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Lee Meszaros

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Hamilton Police Funding

From: Afra Iftikhar

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:48 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Hamilton Police Funding

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the Hamilton Police Services 2020 budget of \$172 million from the total \$924 million operational budget for the City of Hamilton. This is roughly a 4% increase from the 2019 Police Services Budget. Despite this astronomically high budget, the Hamilton Police are not required to wear body cameras and the Hamilton Police Board has voted against the use of body cameras on four separate occasions. The Hamilton Police (on the City approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers. Comparatively, only \$158 million will be spent on social services, including transit and healthy/safe communities. In light of ongoing unrest between the public and police, it is crucial that the Hamilton Police Force begin to use body cameras. Body cameras can provide transparency and more accountability surrounding police use-of-force. I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. Not approve the 2021 Police Services Budget unless it allocates funds to body cameras.
2. Ensure the Hamilton Police Services uphold their promise to “take action to eliminate racism” (Hamilton Chief of Police, Eric Girt, 2020).
3. Eliminate unnecessary budget increases to Hamilton Police Services.

In a recent statement issued by Police Chief Girt, Hamilton Police Services have acknowledged that instances of police brutality “erode public trust in police”. In order to uphold relationships with the public and reaffirm their commitment to order and diversity, the Hamilton Police Services should be required to use body cameras.

By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,

Afra Iftikhar

Pilon, Janet

Subject: 20% Cut to Police Budget

From: Abedar Kamgari

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:30 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: 20% Cut to Police Budget

Please see below.

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020, 10:54 PM

Dear Councillor Collins and Hamilton Police Services Board,

I want to thank you for your move to review a 20% reduction in the HPS budget. However, a 20% reduction is not enough. The overarching goal must be to fully defund the Hamilton Police and work towards abolition, as outlined by the demands and efforts of Black and racialized people in the city. To be clear: I stand with the community in calling for a full defunding of the Hamilton Police and a reallocation of those funds into vital community services such as mental health programs, food security initiatives, and accessible affordable housing.

Councillor Collins, your motion aims only to consider what a reduction of 20% would look like for the Hamilton Police Services and does nothing to address the demands of the community calling for the defunding and demilitarization of the police. Over 3,000 community members have signed on to the demands to defund the Hamilton Police and reallocate those funds into social programs that benefit marginalized and vulnerable communities. This motion is a delaying tactic to distract from the call to reimagine community safety in Hamilton.

The Hamilton Police Services board **should not** be involved in the decisions around how money should be divested and reallocated - the community should determine, based on the needs of vulnerable and marginalized people, where money divested from the HPS should go. The Hamilton Police Services board is simply incapable of engaging with and honestly considering what the community needs.

The “Whereas” statements below are in no way able to fully capture the ways the Hamilton police are funded to continue to oppress and harm Black, Indigenous, racialized and Queer people in the city of Hamilton. The only way forward is to fully defund, demilitarize and abolish the Hamilton Police service board.

I agree with the organizers in our city, and this revised motion they're putting forth:

Motion:

Whereas members of Hamilton City Council and members of the Police Service Board have received correspondence requesting the ‘defunding of the Hamilton Police Service’; and,
Whereas the same correspondence requests the reinvestment of the proposed budget reduction into other City funded services (ie. food security, anti-racism and affordable housing); and
Whereas a budget reduction of 20% would substantially alter the current services provided by

Hamilton Police Service staff;

Whereas the city of Hamilton has claimed a \$23 million dollars deficit due to the COVID pandemic and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million dollars on the police budget, but only \$11 million on children's services; and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$44.3 million of housing services and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$4,804,750 on unhoused people and,

Whereas the Hamilton Police Service CEO has been approved for a \$10,000 raise totalling a \$308,250 salary in 2020 and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$31,300 on a pipe band, police choir and chorus but will reduce funding for food for prisoners by 5.97% totalling \$31,500 and,

Whereas the Hamilton police will spend \$78,806 on ammunition and \$61,409 on Tasers, whose sole purpose is to physically harm people while they could be spent on social services. The city and police should not have the power or tools to physically assault residents and should not have access to these weapons or a budget for them.

Whereas the Hamilton police have 17 new full time officers that work to violently oppress those made vulnerable in Hamilton while Ontario Works lost 44 hires to provide support to those same people.

Whereas it is likely that the Hamilton Police Services Board will attempt to show a 20% budget reduction that is in their favour and not in the interest of demilitarization

Therefore, be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service board will defund and demilitarize the Hamilton Police.

Be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service Board release a full, line by line, accounting of their dollars to the public instead of deciding where these hypothetical cuts should come from on their own.

Be it further resolved that the city of Hamilton will invest that money into services such as social housing, youth programming, sexual assault services, transit, food security, mental health response teams, and other community based alternatives to policing.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to observing your action on these points.

Best wishes,

Abedar Kamgari, Hamilton Ward 1 Resident

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: We need to defund police in our community**From:** Nisha Kansal**Sent:** Wednesday, June 10, 2020 11:53 AM**To:** clerk@hamilton.ca**Subject:** We need to defund police in our community

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger,

My name is Dr. Nisha Kansal and I am a resident physician in Hamilton ON (Ward 2). I am writing to you today to call on you to take meaningful action in response to the senseless murders of Black and Indigenous people.

The police in our communities prove time and time again that they are unprepared and unwilling to protect or serve our communities. In the cases of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, Jason Collins, D'Andre Campbell, Orlando Brown, Andrew Loku, Jermaine Carby, Kwasi Skene-Peters, Marc Ekamba-Boekwa, Sammy Yatim, Ian Pryce, Alain Magloire, Nicholas Thorne-Belance, Phuong Na (Tony) Du, René Gallant, Abdurahman Ibrahim Hassan, Bony Jean-Pierre, Abdirahman Abdi, Pierre Coriolan, Brydon Whitstone, Josephine Pelletier, Nicholas Gibbs, Jaskamal Singh Lail, Chad Williams, Greg Ritchie, Machuar Madut, Sean Thompson, Randy Cochrane, Eishia Husdon, and so many more people, interaction with the police leads to death.

I am not comfortable continuing to fund racist policing in my community at the expense of essential services like housing, firefighting, transit, libraries, and community health centres.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To never again vote to increase the police services budget;
2. To propose and implement a cut to the police services budget to support our community's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investments into policing.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

- In excessive force cases withhold pensions and do not rehire cops involved
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health and poverty-related calls,

An increased police presence, which includes transit inspectors and enforcement officers, does not keep us safe. Rather, it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, community workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in our city.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents in our city by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

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Nisha Kansal

Family Medicine Resident Physician

McMaster University

"How rich we are in knowledge, and in all that lies around us yet to learn. Billionaires, all of us." ~ Ursula K. Le Guin

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Use of Force Policies

From: Megan Lewis

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 11:53 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Use of Force Policies

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am writing to ask you to implement the #8CantWait Use of Force policies. I live on the West Mountain here in Hamilton and I care deeply about making our community safer.

Like countless members of our community, I'm angered by unjust policing in this country and in our city.

I'm asking you to enact:

1. Ban Chokeholds & Strangleholds
2. Require Warning Before Shooting
3. Require De-escalation
4. Require Exhaust All Alternatives Before Shooting
5. Duty To Intervene
6. Ban shooting at moving vehicles
7. Require Use Of Force Continuum
8. Require Comprehensive Reporting

These policies are simple, common-sense and data driven. The data shows that if you implement these policies in addition to ones that are already in place in Hamilton, we can decrease police violence in our community by 72%. Again, all of these policies can be implemented immediately and I'm asking you not to hesitate.

Thank you,
Megan Lewis

From: Una Di Gallo

Sent: June 2, 2020 6:29 PM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Police Violence and Anti-Black Racism

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Chad Collins, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about anti-Black racism and violence, especially at the hands of police. I am a Hamilton resident living in ward #5.

We need greater transparency and communication after the loss of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, a Black woman in emotional distress who was killed instead of receiving medical help. Regis is only the most recent instance of a Black person dying in an encounter with police, something that has been happening in Canada for decades. Just last month, D'Andre Campbell was shot by the Peel police. Before that, countless others. The police in Canada have a long history of race-based violence. This is because our police system was designed for the purpose of containing and criminalizing Black and Indigenous peoples. Data reveals that Toronto's Black residents are 20 times more likely to be killed by police officers than white residents, despite having a much smaller population in the city overall. In addition, 70% of individuals who die in encounters with police struggle with mental health or substance use issues, or both. Racism in ALL Canadian cities is prevalent and real and I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to criminalize members of the Black community.

It is time to learn from the cyclical police violence unfolding throughout North America and commit ourselves to change before any more Black people are harmed in a police encounter. We need to start divesting from the systematically violent police services, and establish a long-term plan for community-led health and safety initiatives. The police force of Hamilton is overfunded and contrary to their mission, causing more violence and harm in our communities.

To start, I would like to see the Hamilton police budget reduced by at least 20% over the next 2 years and their operating budget made public. I would like to see those tax dollars permanently reallocated into social services, education, mental health programs, supervised injection sites, jobs and affordable housing. These are the vital services we will need to bounce back from the pandemic and keep our communities safe. Strengthening municipal social supports will reduce crime by addressing the issues that lead to it at their source.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Una Di Gallo

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Hamilton Defund Police

From: Yidan Lafond

Date: Sun, Jun 7, 2020, 21:59

Subject: Hamilton Defund Police

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and City Council Members,

I am writing to express my outrage regarding the distribution of funding within the city of Hamilton's 2020 preliminary operating budget. It is unacceptable that over \$170 million, or what equates to 27.7% of the projected operational 2020 budget, has been marked for Police Services.

In light of the nation-wide Black Lives Matter protests, including the June 1st protest in Gore Park, and knowing that the Hamilton police force has been linked to systemic racist practices, I am urging you to reconsider the allocation of the 2020 operational budget and tax supported final capital budget.

In reconsidering the allocation of the city of Hamilton's budget, I urge you to consider the statement made by Black Lives Matter activists in Hamilton, who urged the city to defund Hamilton Police Service and to stop ticketing and surveilling people who are homeless. Rather, these funds should be diverted into initiatives such as food security, affordable housing, and anti-racism initiatives, including an independent Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre (HARRC).

Funding to the Hamilton Police Services can be reduced in the following ways:

- 1) Cancel the scheduled 3.8% increase, and all future increases, to the Hamilton Police Service's budget.
- 2) Propose and implement a minimum of a 10% budget cut to the 2020 operational budget.
- 3) Withhold pensions from and don't rehire police officers involved in excessive force cases.
- 4) Require police officers to be liable for misconduct settlements.
- 5) Reduce the size of the police force.

With a poverty rate of 15% for all residents and 20.5% for children, Hamilton needs to reassess its priorities. We do not need more policing, more surveillance, and more police brutality. We need affordable housing in a city where 20% of renters spend more than half their income on rent. We need access to affordable and healthy food in a city where more than 13,000 people, of which 40% were children, used the food bank last year. We need funded anti-racist education and advocacy in a city that was ranked number one for police-reported hate crimes.

I know that you and the city's councillors have met to discuss the city's economic recovery on June 4th. As a concerned citizen, I am calling on you to prioritize the financial wellbeing and recovery of Hamilton residents by investing in services that Hamilton residents need rather than further disenfranchise many residents by funding the Hamilton Police Services.

Sincerely,

Yidan Lafond

Pilon, Janet

Subject: demands related to police brutality

From: Rachel Yantzi

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:46 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: demands related to police brutality

Dear Mayor Eisenberger-

My name is Rachel Yantzi and I am a Hamilton resident from the Stiplely neighborhood. I am a nurse at McMaster Children's Hospital and PhD student at McMaster University. Five years ago, I moved to Hamilton after living for 10 years in a primarily Black and Latino neighborhood on the west side of Chicago that was routinely terrorized by the Police. In my role as a pediatric ICU nurse, I took care of a 15 year old boy who was shot in the back by police while he was sitting in a car. What I saw there was horrific but I find the attitude of many Canadians that we are somehow different here in Canada extremely frustrating. We have a deeply ingrained racist history here in Canada and one of the many modern day manifestations of that history comes in the form of systematic police brutality.

Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

Demands:

- We call on the city of Hamilton to defund the Hamilton police.
- We call on the city of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the police towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing.
- We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services halt all purchases with tax dollars of weapons (guns, rifles, etc).
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services cease the ticketing and surveilling of homeless and disabled people in Hamilton, and that there be a moratorium on the hiring of police constables in Hamilton given the documented over-surveilling of homeless people during the pandemic.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop surveilling communities, and that they halt the expenditure of tax dollars on high tech surveillance equipment.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop targeting and criminalizing activists and communities pushing back against Yellow Vesters and other forms of white supremacy.
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- We demand that the school board refrain from calling the cops on kids.
- We demand that the school board collect and release data that documents the disciplinary action against students by race and gender.
- We demand that the school board implement a community run alternative to disciplinary action based on the principles of restorative justice.
- We demand that the provincial police act be rewritten to give municipalities full control over police boards. Currently, in Hamilton, the Hamilton Police Services operates as an autonomous body, giving municipalities little to no oversight in terms of what they invest in and the ways that they militarize themselves.
- We demand that the province of Ontario work with grassroots groups to divest taxpayer money across the Province (Hamilton - \$171M, Ottawa - \$319M, Waterloo - \$182M, Halton Region - \$162M, London \$123M, Niagara - \$154M, Sudbury - \$63M) from policing and invest it towards community initiatives with the goal of moving completely toward transformative justice practices.
- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit, which has a provincial mandate, needs to be 100% composed of people living in the city with which the investigation is being conducted.
- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit needs to be composed completely of Black, racialized and Indigenous peoples with no current or former ties to the policing sector.

- The SIU must begin collecting and publicly releasing race-based statistics on all fatalistic encounters between police officers and civilians. No more inquiries-- direct action needs to be taken as a result of the investigation into anti-Black racism that occurred in the 90's and again in 2014 with the establishment and subsequent defunding of the Anti-Racism Directorate.
- In light of COVID-19, We demand that all prisoners being held and who are awaiting trial at the Barton Jail facility be released immediately, and that the outrageous costs of ankle monitors and other means of surveilling those who are released be waived.

I fully support the demands of these activists and call on you to do the right thing. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Rachel Yantzi

Pilon, Janet

Subject: #8CantWait Use of Force policies

From: Jackie Wheatley

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:11 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten

Subject: #8CantWait Use of Force policies

Dear Ms. Stevenson and the Hamilton City Clerk,

Emailing you was on recommendation by the Office of the Mayor. I am writing to ask you to implement the #8CantWait Use of Force policies. I'm unsure of the current policies and whether they are already in existence in our city, but in case they are not, I wanted to email to check. Emailing you was on recommendation by the Office of the Mayor.

I live in Waterdown, ON, and I care deeply about making our community safer. These policies are simple, common-sense, and data driven.

I am asking you to enact EACH policy found on 8CANTWAIT.ORG.

Data proves that if you implement these policies, in addition to the other policies already in place in the Hamilton area, we can decrease police violence in our community by 72%. All of these policies can be implemented with your power immediately and I'm asking you not to hesitate to make our city safer.

Thank you,
Jackie

To the Council, the Mayor and Councillors, of the City of Hamilton, Ontario:

I hope this finds you well. I write as a non-Native, a life-long resident on Anishinaabeg land in Hamilton, Ontario. I write as a parent of four children. I write as a person who loves Jesus and sees in His life, crucifixion, death, and resurrection a way to love neighbours as one's self and so I write this letter to you, as an attempt to do so, however I falter.

I write in regards to the complete abolition of the Hamilton Police Services (HPS) and request that the Council of the City of Hamilton submit an application to the Ontario Civilian Police Commission (OCPC) to abolish the HPS. Under section 40 (1) of the *Police Services Act* (PSA), 'A board may terminate the employment of a member of the police force for the purpose of abolishing the police force or reducing its size if the Commission consents and if the abolition or reduction does not contravene this Act'. Such a process begins with an application to the OCPC by the municipality; both the OCPC Registrar, which I have contacted to clarify whether the municipality or the police-services board makes the application, to which their office has replied that the municipality has the authority, and the 2008 law-suit between the Kenora Police Services Board and the OCPC (2008 CanLII 51772 [ON SC]) make clear that the municipality, and not the police-services Board, has the authority to abolish policing services. A request for an application to the OCPC from the council of the city of Hamilton is neither frivolous nor vexatious as, under s. 4 (2) of the PSA,

'Adequate and effective police services must include, at a minimum, all of the following police services:

1. Crime prevention.
2. Law enforcement.
3. Assistance to victims of crime.
4. Public order maintenance.
5. Emergency response'

and, for greater clarity, 'with the Commission's approval, the council may adopt a different method of providing police services' (5 [1], ss. 6).

The mis-use of municipal taxes, the examples of precedent, the amplification of such a call for police abolition by Hamilton activists and the Black Lives Matter, Toronto Chapter, and the betterment of public-health are all reasons why this abolition must occur.

Currently, the HPS swallows the largest percentage of municipal tax levies, 14.8 cents of every municipal tax dollar, and is, as of 2019, sitting on a tax surplus of approximately \$1.7 million. In 2009, the HPS' projected actual budget was \$1,237,930 and its 2010 base budget was \$921,740, a decrease of 21.2%, but in 2011 that budget increased by 0.4%, a budget which has continued to increase. By 2020, the city-approved policing budget was \$171,000,000 as the HPS was asking for \$24,000,000 for a new investigative-services division/forensic facility and, in 2025, is projected to request another \$25,000,000 for a new building for Division 4 (Police Station 40). Instead of spending 14.8 cents per municipal-tax dollar on policing, that money ought to be spent on education, public health, and public housing or spent in accordance with the decisions of those who are most affected by policing. One possible approach, about which I have written to my ward councillor, John-Paul Danko, is the creation of a municipal peace-tax fund, similar to what Conscience Canada has created for federal tax re-direction from national defence, into which those municipal taxes could be re-directed from policing toward community care and public-health supports and he is awaiting a response in its regard from the city's finance department; this fund, were it to be created, ought to be overseen by representatives who are consulted about and most affected by the changes that the abolition of policing would bring to their communities. These costs and their increases, in sum, are fundamentally an unjust use of taxes and do not provide any protection whatsoever for the very communities whom the police are sworn to protect. A report from the police-services board to be received at a later date in regards to the impact of a 20% budget cut, some \$34,296,070.00, is not at all equivalent to the complete re-direction of the 2020 HPS' budget of \$171,000,000.00 toward public-health and community care and it is the latter amount that matters much more than a symbolic action and a budget cut. To paraphrase Desmond Cole, a 20% reduction in the police budget is only a 20% reduction in suffering.

Also, requests made to the OCPC to abolish police services are not at all unusual. In 2020, Orangeville, Ontario made a request. In 2018, West Nipissing, Wingham, Amherstberg (whose policing was assumed by Windsor's) and Espanola did, preceded by Midland, in 2015, and Dryden, in 2014. The earliest record of these requests is from Port Hope in 2013, according to the Canadian Legal Information Institute, accessible online at canlii.org. Though these requests for policing have been assumed mostly by the Ontario Provincial Police, under s. 5 (1) of the PSA, noted above, a different method of providing police services may be used. This different method of caring for communities may and should not require the presence of any policing whatsoever and this different method should be constructed in conversation with those Black, Indigenous, and racialized people in Hamilton who are most affected by daily and constant surveillance by the Hamilton Police Services. In response to the calls of some Hamiltonians for more police presence as the risk to their private properties, whether dwelling-place or automobile, through break-and-enters increases or to their perception of public property's sanctity besmirched by the vandalism of parks, I would offer only this statistic: in 2014, the weighted clearance rate by Hamilton Police Services was 33.66 and, by 2018, the latest year available on Statistics Canada, that rate had dropped to 32.53; over that same period of time, the violent crime severity index increased from 69.17 to 81.05. In short, fewer crimes have been solved by the Hamilton Police Services and more violent crimes are being committed; with these statistics in hand, it is clear that policing, in whatever manifestation it is being offered, is not and has never been a solution. In personal correspondence on Wednesday, May 20, 2020, with Police-Constable Patrick Mitchell (Badge # 985) of the Hamilton Police Services, a reduction in community policing is not an option, I was told, unless it is a concern shared by a majority of the ward and brought to the police services' attention by way of ward councillors. Though, as P.-C. Mitchell opines, 'it would be almost impossible to adjust policing needs based on a small consensus, or individual constituent basis', it is more than clear that these demands stem from much more than a small consensus or an individual constituent.

Moreover, Hamilton activists and the Black Lives Matter movement have already called for the abolition of, and not merely the de-funding of, the Hamilton Police Services, so this letter serves only as an amplification of that call. In that regard, I would repudiate the comments of Councillor Collins, as noted in Samantha Craggs' 11 Jun 2020 C.B.C. article, that abolishing police is 'nonsensical'. To comment in that way on the lived experiences of Black, Indigenous, and racialized people at the hands of Hamilton Police Services is to minimize their experiences and dismiss their stories completely. There is a long history of struggle in regards to the abolition of police and it would serve Councillor Collins and the council-at-large well to become more aware and conversant with the history of that struggle in particular, as it is a struggle that addresses many of Councillor Nann's questions in regards to the kind of humane, social, and care-centred society for which I and others struggle for the sake of our and others' children and for our and others' lives. It is a struggle that includes the complete replacement of the Hamilton Police Services with, as Black Lives Matter activists and others from time immemorial have demanded, a demilitarized and community-based method that doesn't put Black, Indigenous, or racialized residents in Hamilton at risk.

Finally, the experiences of people in mental-health crises and otherwise at the hands of the Hamilton Police Services must not be forgotten. The shooting of Robyn Garlow, who wielded a knife; the shooting of Tony Divers, who was unarmed, as well as of Quinn Macdougall; the shooting of Steve Mesic, who held a shovel; the shooting of Kenneth Lyon, of Andreas Chinnery, of James Kiteley, and of Phonesay Chanthachak: all of these people, these stories, these lives did not require nor seek an end at the hands of police but all needed care and love and communities that supported them and the resources to create for themselves and their communities lives worth living. At the root of the demand to abolish policing is precisely that: access to resources and care for one's self and others so that suffering is eased and lives are again made worth living, freely and joyfully.

To conclude, I look forward to your action in these regards: Abolish policing by submitting an application to the Ontario Civilian Police Commission to abolish the Hamilton Police Services completely.

Thank you,

Joshua Weresch
Anishinaabeg land (Hamilton, Ontario)

12 June 2020

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Police. Now.

From: Alexandra Weinberger

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 1:38 PM

To: Nann, Nrinder; Office of the Mayor; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund Police. Now.

Hi there,

My name is Alexandra Weinberger and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Warmly,
Alexandra Weinberger

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Policing and Systemic Racism in HamiltonFrom: **Janna Watkins**

Date: Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 10:50 AM

Subject: Policing and Systemic Racism in Hamilton

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>, <maureen.wilson@hamilton.ca>, <jason.farr@hamilton.ca>, <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>, <sam.merulla@hamilton.ca>, <chad.collins@hamilton.ca>, <tom.jackson@hamilton.ca>, <esther.pauls@hamilton.ca>, <john-paul.danko@hamilton.ca>, <ward8@hamilton.ca>, <brad.clark@hamilton.ca>, <maria.pearson@hamilton.ca>, <brenda.johnson@hamilton.ca>, <lloyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca>, <arlene.vanderbeek@hamilton.ca>, <terry.whitehead@hamilton.ca>, <judi.partridge@hamilton.ca>, <smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca>, <cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca>, <director@hwdsb.on.ca>, <gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca>, <lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca>, <jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca>, <mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca>, <ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca>, <cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca>, <mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca>, <remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca>, <cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca>, <kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca>, <ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca>, <bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca>, <cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca>, <ptut@hwdsb.on.ca>, <pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca>, <Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca>, <ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca>, <ahorwath-co@ndp.on.ca>, <FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca>, <SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca>, <donna.skelly@pc.ola.org>, <Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca>, <chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca>, <info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca>, <icom@cogeco.ca>, <fbennink@zipsigns.com>, <rgelms@mac.com>, <doug.downey@pc.ola.org>

Hello My name is Janna Watkins

I am an independent Hairstylist, Yoga Teacher and former small business owner in Hamilton.

I am sending this letter to show my support for and endorsement of the demands made last week by black and racialized activists regarding the policing of black and racialized communities in Hamilton. I've attached a document outlining their demands and some links to articles and studies supporting why you should seriously consider doing your part to have them met.

It is important to listen to the voices and experiences of those you claim to serve. This can be a big step for that and can be an opportunity for Hamilton to set a positive example in this time of a global pandemic, and growing inquiries and understanding of Canada's racist roots.

Thank you for your time, your labour and consideration

Janna Watkins

To those invested in taking tangible action to eliminate white supremacy in the institutions they work in and benefit from,

Earlier this month, black and racialized organizers across the city made a list of specific demands addressing local institutions in the municipality of Hamilton, Ontario, the colonially occupied lands of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Mississaugas, Haudensaunee and Anishnaabeg. Here are those demands:

City Hall:

1. We call on the City of Hamilton to defund Hamilton Police Services (HPS) (1-3, 11, 12).
2. We call on the City of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the policing sector to be delegated towards initiatives fighting food insecurity, racism and affordable housing & social services (4, 9-10, 15, 19, 36, 43, 44).
3. We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing homeless people for existing in public (5-6, 48).

Hamilton Police Services (HPS):

1. Release accounting on taxes used to surveil & police Black, Indigenous, and other racialized communities (7-8, 45).
2. Halt purchases of weapons and high tech surveillance equipment, and cease surveillance (46-47).
3. Cease ticketing homeless and disabled people and forgive current charges (5-6, 48).
4. Stop targeting activists & communities building community responses to active white supremacist groups (6, 26-27).

Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB):

1. We demand that the HWDSB remove police SRO's from schools & fund public review of police violence that occurred in Schools.
2. We demand that the school board refrain from calling ops on kids (28)
3. We demand that the HWDSB collect & release data on documents the disciplinary action against students by race and gender. (64)
4. We demand that HWDSB implement a community run alternative to disciplinary action based on principles of restorative justice (37-39).

McMaster University

1. We call on McMaster University (President & Board of Hiring) to immediately terminate Glenn DeCaire's contract (13-14, 16).
2. We demand that DeCaire, alongside special constables on campus cease policing students. Black students across Ontario have experienced violence at the hands of campus police. (20, 23).
3. Join with other Universities (such as University of Minnesota) in cutting ties with police

departments (18, 24-25).

Ontario:

1. We demand that the Police Services Act (Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1 - Bill 68) be rewritten to give municipalities full control over police boards
2. We demand that the province of Ontario work with grassroots groups to divest from policing & invest in community initiatives with the goal of moving completely toward transformative justice (61).
3. The SIU needs to be composed completely of Black, Racialized and Indigenous Peoples with no current or former ties to the policing sector (29-35, 40-42).
4. SIU must begin collecting and publicly releasing race-based statistics on all fatalistic encounters between police and civilians. No more inquiries – direct action needs to be taken.
5. In light of COVID-19, we demand that all prisoners being held & awaiting trial at the Barton Jail Facility be released immediately, and that outrageous costs of ankle monitors & other means of surveilling those who are released be waived (21-22).

The City of Hamilton (49), Hamilton Police Services (51), the HWDSB (50), McMaster University (54), and the Province of Ontario (53) have all made statements regarding their stance on racism. Unfortunately their statements are based on a definition of racism as "bigotry and slander". This definition is limited in that it does not address the structural violence experienced by racialized people. Instead, we ask that these institutions adopt a definition of racism that incorporates an understanding that power is the primary feature of racism (63). In simple terms, Racism = Racial Prejudice + Power (where power is defined as, "authority granted through social structures and conventions—possibly supported by force or the threat of force—and access to means of communications and resources, to reinforce racial prejudice, regardless of the falsity of the underlying prejudiced assumption"; 63).

We petition these institutions (The City of Hamilton, Hamilton Police Services, the HWDSB, McMaster University, and the Province of Ontario) to seriously consider their deep racist roots, and begin to phase out their illegitimate access to power inherited from Canada's history of Slavery (58-59), Indigenous Genocide (55-57), and it's contribution to Apartheid Models (60) implemented by other Colonial States and Institutions. The institutions named above can set an example for the world by implementing these specific and practical demands.

We ask that as you prepare to meet these demands you educate yourselves on the importance of the actions being demanded of you. Meeting these demands is a necessary step in being accountable to your commitment to anti-racism and to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (52). Though educating ourselves in the matters of anti-racism, systemic racism, and structural violence is a lifelong process, we have kindly gathered resources which support these organizers demands.

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police

From: Olivia Watkin-McClurg

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:35 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police

Hi there,

My name is Olivia Watkin-McClurg and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 1. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

Demands:

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- We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services halt all purchases with tax dollars of weapons (guns, rifles, etc).
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- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop targeting and criminalizing activists and communities pushing back against Yellow Vesters and other forms of white supremacy.
- We call on McMaster University (President & Board of Governors) to immediately terminate Glenn De Caire's contract. De Caire was forced to resign from Hamilton police after he was caught saying incredibly racist things to other police officers. De Caire also has a history of violent policing that targets houseless people as well as Black people.
- In line with the demands of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Kids Need Help Coalition, we demand that the HWDSB immediately remove School Resource Officers (SROs) out of all schools and fully fund a public review of police violence that occurred in their schools.
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Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Maggie Ward

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To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Sincerely,

Maggie Ward

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Police/OPP/RCMP

From: Alexandra Weinberger

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 1:24 PM

To: Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca; Horwath - QP, Andrea; doug.fordco@pc.ola.org; Nann, Nrinder; clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor

Subject: Defund Police/OPP/RCMP

Dear elected officials,

I am a resident of Ward 3/Hamilton Centre, and as your constituent and a citizen of this city, province, and country, I write to you to implore you to use this historic moment to take the bold step of defunding police/OPP/RCMP.

It can no longer be ignored that police brutality is happening in our cities and against our Black and Indigenous fellow human beings. We have ignored this for too long. It is time to take action.

No one experiencing a mental health issue should end up dead after police intervention, and yet we have two examples in as many weeks right here in Canada. This cannot continue.

The false security police forces provide to white people, like me, cannot supersede the lives of Black and Indigenous folks. We will all be safer when police are defunded and those same funds are used in community to support folks with mental health issues, housing insecurity, addictions issues, insufficient income, etc.

This cannot wait.

Warmly,

Alexandra Weinberger (10 Madison Ave, Hamilton, ON, L8L5Y3)

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Alexandra Weinberger, ProDoula CD Labour, ProDoula CD Postpartum

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Make Hamilton the Best Place to Raise a Child - Abolish Hamilton Police!

From: Jackson Virgin-Holland

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 8:40 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Make Hamilton the Best Place to Raise a Child - Abolish Hamilton Police!

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

Please listen to the voices of the millions of people across Canada and The USA demanding the defunding and abolition of police. Cities across the world are now realising that trying to prevent crime with aggressive force is not the answer. Paying over \$170 million for police services is not a constructive way to spend our taxes. We do not deserve to live in a police state where they take up the largest portion of our resources. Those suffering from homelessness do not need to be harassed and arrested, they need affordable housing. Those with drug addictions do not need to be imprisoned, they need counseling. Even if we looked at this problem through a completely capitalistic lens, it makes much more sense to rehabilitate these citizens and turn them into productive citizens, rather than pay more than \$60K annually to put them in provincial prison, or over \$130K annually for federal prison. We need to invest in education, affordable housing, and ESPECIALLY health care as the effects of COVID-19 will clearly last for years.

Police are not equipped to handle these complex issues, a high school diploma, 24 weeks at the police academy, and a gun are not enough to support our community. They are only holding us back, and will use their political power to hold us hostage. They see the public as their enemy, an enemy that must be controlled. They do not see us as fellow members of the community, who sometimes need help and guidance to get back on our feet. They were never the solution and it is time we realised that.

You have the power to make Hamilton a leader in community investment. Defund the police, they do not deserve to be our largest expenditure. Social workers, therapists, and community-driven action will be much more effective, and a more efficient use of our dollars. Below I have also included the demands from Black Lives Matter Hamilton leaders, as this is not only an economic issue but more importantly an issue of white supremacy. The police force are not our friends, they are not our community leaders, they are not here to protect us. They are here to protect themselves and their own selfish interests. Their culture has become corrupt, toxic, and needs to be completely dismantled. It is time for the people to take their community back!

Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for

existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

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*Kindest Regards (Bien Cordialement),
Jackson Virgin-Holland*

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Hamilton Police Budget

From: Eric Viau

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:59 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; Office of the Mayor

Subject: Hamilton Police Budget

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the Hamilton Police Services 2020 budget of \$172 million from the total \$924 million operational budget for the City of Hamilton. This is roughly a 4% increase from the 2019 Police Services Budget. Despite this astronomically high budget, the Hamilton Police are not required to wear body cameras and the Hamilton Police Board has voted against the use of body cameras on four separate occasions. The Hamilton Police (on the City approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers. Comparatively, only \$158 million will be spent on social services, including transit and healthy/safe communities. In light of ongoing unrest between the public and police, it is crucial that the Hamilton Police Force begin to use body cameras. Body cameras can provide transparency and more accountability surrounding police use-of-force. I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. Not approve the 2021 Police Services Budget unless it allocates funds to body cameras.
2. Ensure the Hamilton Police Services uphold their promise to “take action to eliminate racism” (Hamilton Chief of Police, Eric Girt, 2020).
3. Eliminate unnecessary budget increases to Hamilton Police Services.

In a recent statement issued by Police Chief Girt, Hamilton Police Services have acknowledged that instances of police brutality “erode public trust in police”. In order to uphold relationships with the public and reaffirm their commitment to order and diversity, the Hamilton Police Services should be required to use body cameras.

By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,

Eric-Bradley W Viau

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Please Divest from Hamilton Police Services

From: Jelena Vermilion

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:50 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Please Divest from Hamilton Police Services

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Thank you,

Jelena Vermilion
Executive Director



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Pilon, Janet

Subject: A Response to Councillor Collins' Motion RE: 20% HPS Funding Reduction

From: SWAP Hamilton

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:51 PM

To: Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann; Alex Bishop; VanderBeek, Arlene; Clark, Brad; Johnson, Brenda; Collins, Chad; clerk@hamilton.ca; Gately, Cole; Pauls, Esther; Office of the Mayor; Farr, Jason; Danko, John-Paul; Ward 8 Office; Partridge, Judi; Ferguson, Lloyd; Pearson, Maria; Wilson, Maureen; Nann, Nrinder; Pottle, Jan-Marie; Merulla, Sam; Whitehead, Terry; Jackson, Tom

Subject: A Response to Councillor Collins' Motion RE: 20% HPS Funding Reduction

To Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

My name is Jelena Vermilion and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Ward 3.

A response to Councillor Collins' motion that requested a "review" of what a 20% reduction in the HPS budget would look like (a review written by HPS):

The information released about Councillor Chad Collins motion to review the implications of a 20% reduction in the police budget is not welcomed. While any reduction to the Hamilton Police is important, if the overarching goal is not to fully defund the Hamilton Police and work towards abolition, then this motion is simply an attempt to undermine the demands and the efforts of Black and racialized people in the city. To be clear: the community is calling for a full defunding of the Hamilton Police and a reallocation of those funds into the community.

This motion aims only to consider what a reduction of 20% would look like for the Hamilton Police services and does nothing to address the demands of the community calling for the defunding and demilitarization of the police. This would be a waste of taxpayer dollars and serves only to distract from the community's demands. Over 3,000 community members have signed on to the demands to defund the Hamilton Police and reallocate those funds into social programs that benefit marginalized and vulnerable communities.

This motion is a delaying tactic to distract from the call to reimagine community safety in Hamilton. We are calling for the full defunding and demilitarization of the Hamilton Police, not to only reduce their budget by 20%.

The Hamilton Police Services board should not be involved in the decisions around how money should be divested and reallocated - the community should determine, based on the needs of

vulnerable and marginalized people, where money divested from the HPS should go. The Hamilton Police Services board is simply incapable of engaging with and honestly considering what the community needs.

The “Whereas” statements below are in no way able to fully capture the ways the Hamilton police are funded to continue to oppress and harm Black, Indigenous, racialized and Queer folks in the city of Hamilton. The only way forward is to fully defund, demilitarize and abolish the Hamilton Police service board.

To the police board, we’ve helped you out by writing out a new motion. Take a look below:

Motion:

Whereas members of Hamilton City Council and members of the Police Service Board have received correspondence requesting the ‘defunding of the Hamilton Police Service’; and,

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Whereas it is likely that the Hamilton Police Services Board will attempt to show a 20% budget reduction that is in their favour and not in the interest of demilitarization

Therefore, be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service board will defund and demilitarize the

Hamilton Police.

Be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service Board release a full, line by line, accounting of their dollars to the public instead of deciding where these hypothetical cuts should come from on their own.

Be it further resolved that the city of Hamilton will invest that money into services such as social housing, youth programming, sexual assault services, transit, food security, mental health response teams, and other community based alternatives to policing.

Here is a reminder of our demands:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defunding and Demilitarizing the Hamilton Police Service**From:** Adrian Underhill**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2020 10:44 AM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; Director; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; chiefadmins@hamiltonpolice.ca; info@hamiltonpolice.on.ca; icom@cogeco.ca; fbennink@zipsigns.com; rgelms@mac.com; doug.downey@pc.ola.org

Cc: HWDSB kids; clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten**Subject:** Defunding and Demilitarizing the Hamilton Police Service

June 11, 2020

Hello,

My name is Adrian Underhill and I am a resident of Ward 1 in Hamilton.

I am extremely disappointed to see Councillor Collins' motion to simply review the implications of a 20% reduction in the police budget. This is not a meaningful way to engage the community and respond to our demands of defunding the police and reinvesting those funds in the community.

The problem with this motion is that it is a delaying tactic. We do not need a review. We already know that the HPS cause consistent harm against the Black, Indigenous, racialized and Queer people in our community. Furthermore, the Police board should not be making autonomous decisions about how money should be divested and reallocated - the community should determine, based on the needs of vulnerable and marginalized people, where money divested from the HPS should go.

Here is a revised motion that has been put forward by Black organizers in our city. Please have a look:

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I look forward to hearing back from you on this matter,
Adrian Underhill

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Chair and Members of General Issues Committee

From: Robin Hufgard

Sent: June 11, 2020 7:56 AM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Collins, Chad <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>

Cc: Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Service Implications of Cutting HPS Budget

Good morning,

I am writing to voice my opinion re: the police services board being asked to create a report on the "service implications" of cutting \$34m from their \$171m.

Firstly, I do not think requesting the police services board to review their own budget implications is a decision free of conflicts of interest or bias. No employee, regardless of their obligation to the public, is going to advocate for a paycut for their own department or admit to doing a poor job. Letting the police services board review their own budget is a waste of everyone's time and money because we already know what their answer will be. If the police services board has been requesting budget increases on an annual basis, they are going to be able to find plenty of reasons to keep those increases rolling.

Additionally, I worry about the police's continued budget increases used primarily to purchase more expensive equipment and increase militarization of the police force. While other police forces are cutting back on funding (including those in cities with much higher gun and street crime rates than Hamilton, such as Minneapolis and Seattle), our police force is considering spending over \$60k on more guns. Our police force has already shown they use excessive force with the equipment they currently have, and I fear what freely approving increasingly dangerous weapons will do.

In April 2007, Soun Saing was shot and killed during a confrontation with HPS. Saing was described later to be suffering from an episode of mental illness.

February 2011, Andreas Chinnery was fatally shot and killed by HPS in his own apartment after a neighbour called concerned about a commotion he overheard. He was alone, and later was found to be likely suffering from an episode of mental illness.

June 2012, HPS officer Ryan Tocher in plain clothes used his unmarked vehicle to pin Phonesay Chanthachack while driving a stolen vehicle. The citizen attempted to escape and was shot twice, killed. This is Tochter's third excessive force incident, second involving a fatality and all three having South Asian victims. The first one involved Soun Saing, above. The second one was in May 2010, where Po La Hay was severely beaten by HPS when they entered his apartment, wrongly believing it was a drug dealer's apartment (who lived next door). Po La Hay's family sued 16 police officers including Tochter, Chief Glenn De Clair and the HPS board. The lawsuit was dismissed, however the judge stated that the testimonies of officers left him with "the spectre of a coverup". Tochter has been cleared on every incident he has ever had brought before the SUI.

June 2013, Steve Mesic is shot dead by HPS while wandering in traffic after being released from St Joseph's Health Care centre following a psychotic break. He was suicidal but harmless, and was shot at nine times when he attempted to use a shovel to enter his own home.

Sept 2016, Anthony Divers is shot and killed by HPS. He suffering from an episode of mental illness and generally incoherent, possibly intoxicated. He was unarmed.

April 2018, Quinn MacDougall is shot and killed outside of his house by HPS. He had called 911 three times stating that someone with a gun was trying to hurt him. Later it was revealed the "guy with a gun" was a plain clothes officer MacDougall had mistaken for someone who was threatening him. Again, MacDougall appeared to be suffering from an episode of mental illness.

October 2018, Robyn Garlow was shot at four times and killed by HPS after behaving in a suicidal manner.

These are only incidents I was able to easily find that involved fatal results. Many other life-ruining cases have been committed by HPS towards citizens; including breaking into the wrong apartments, racial carding practices, failing to address hate crimes, blaming the black and POC community for the police brutality inflicted on it, and ticketing the homeless population to push them further into poverty.

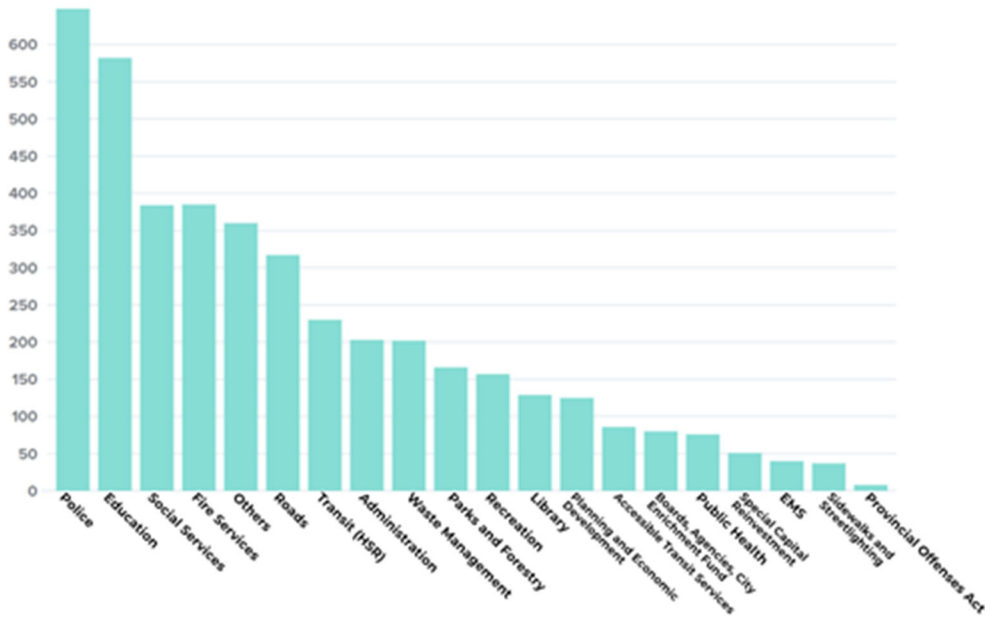
The HPS does not need more weapons and equipment. The citizens of the City of Hamilton do not need the HPS. Many of the above cases went to SUI and/or Ontario court, where SUI repeatedly cleared the HPS of any wrongdoing and families of victims were left without any sort of consolation. These cases have cost both the family's victims and Hamilton taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars, not to mention the regular cost of the actual police response to the original event. This money would have been much better spent investing into mental health services, which many of these fatal cases clearly needed. It is not reasonable to expect suicidal or otherwise mentally unstable citizens to respond politely to an aggressive militarized force pointing weapons and demanding compliance. Some of the above cases appear to have even used the police as their preferred suicide method.

I have been through the mental health system in Ontario. I understand exactly how broken it is and how the police completely fail to address the underlying issues. When you are suicidal and call 911, the best case scenario you can get is paramedics or police bringing you to a hospital waiting room. You will sit here for hours because triage prioritizes mental health issues extremely low. If you are lucky eventually a doctor or medical student will do a short interview with you where afterwards you will be transferred to either an institute not-unlike jail for an indefinite period of time, or allowed to return to your own home on the promise that you won't kill yourself. It's an awful system that leaves you feeling abandoned and useless.

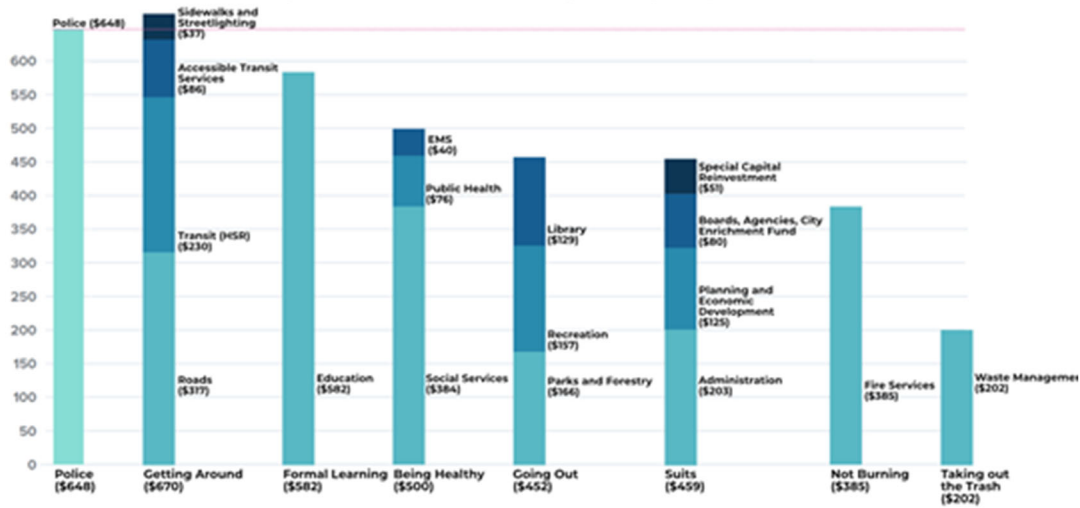
I was able to get to a better place mentally with mostly a lot of luck. I had some support at university that helped me finish my degree, which helped me get a job paying above minimum wage where I could finally afford a private therapist. Even this was shakey, as therapy was always the first thing I had to cut from my budget when finances were tight. Many people do not have this option at all, and this is not something the police provide either. Investing money back into our community rather than the police is ultimately a better use of our finances. Helping people find work, homes, doctors, therapists, and communities will reduce crime and poverty more than buying bigger and better guns/cars for the police.

Finally, because I'm actually more of a graphic designer than a writer, here are two graphs I created to visualize the extent to which police dominate our budget. I hope this helps illustrate the disparity in our budget, and perhaps inspires you to boost the services which clearly need it so much more.

2020 Hamilton Budget (Based on Average Property Tax Bill)



2020 Hamilton Budget (Based on Average Property Tax Bill)



Thank you for reading,
Robin, Ward 1 resident

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Black Lives Matter - police brutality**From:** Piper Hayes**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 11:55 AM**To:** clerk@hamilton.ca**Subject:** Black Lives Matter - police brutality

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am writing you today as a concerned resident of Hamilton. In light of the countless ongoing deaths of black and brown bodies at the hands of police I feel it is necessary we begin having conversations in order to move into action.

Firstly I'd like to start with The Police Services Board. Upon visual investigation it seems every single member appears white? Is this truly the case? If so do you really believe this is a board that can do their job properly knowing there is no representation of ANY diversity? In my opinion we need a board that has more people of colour than white folx. The representation genders, sexual orientation, class and abilities are also very important and must change. It's 2020 I know we can do this.

In my understanding the mayor is also still the chair of this board? Seems to me as Mayor that this is a conflict of interest perhaps and would love to hear from you how this will be changing as back in 2018 the mayor was quoted saying this would be a temporary role.

I have recently come across the Hamilton Police's city approved budget - \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers and only \$28,000 on food for prisoners. These numbers seem absurd to me and seriously paint a picture of how militarized police in my very own city are. I am appalled at this approach and ask that we do better. When black and brown bodies are being killed at the hands of police, carded at school in the streets and kicked out of libraries (something I have personally noticed), it seems to me their voices need to be at the centre of how we address the systemic racism in the police force and our communities. Where are these voices?

If we look at numbers of crime we can also see that the police are not doing their job well. This is not a judgment, rather a reality as we can see this in data provided around crime. I have been listening to Sandy Hudson's research and expertise over the last few days. She has been providing discourse around defunding the police so we can effectively put this money into systems that actually SERVE and PROTECT EVERYONE! I want to encourage you the follow folx like Sandy Hudson as they are the ones who have the lived experiences and direct connections to how communities of colour have already been doing this work. To quote Taj James 'Follow the ones who know the way' (poem and podcast here <https://irresistible.org/podcast/generation4>)

Because it is important to direct attention to the voices who need to be heard right now I'd like to encourage you, if you haven't already, to watch the video and read the article in the Huffpost where Sandy goes into detail how we can restructure our city services.

https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/entry/defund-police-canada-black-indigenous-lives_ca_5ed65eb2c5b6ccd7c56bdf7d
<https://twitter.com/sandela/status/1268270592718860293?s=20>

Please don't stop here. Even if we might have different opinions please share this with your team, your colleagues, your peers and anyone in your community. We must have REAL conversations.

Not being racist is no longer enough, we must actively practice anti-racism and to do this we have a lot of work to do. As a cis-gendered heteroflexible white settler I feel it is my responsibility to voice these concerns with you and help take on the burden that POC's have carried for too long on their own. I believe we can do so much better and this is why I write you today. Canada and Hamilton must come to terms with our racism and actively find ways to unlearn these dangerous ways of being.

With care,

Piper Hayes
she/her

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund HPS

From: Elizabeth Syrotuik

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:37 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund HPS

Hi there,

My name is **Elizabeth Syrotuik** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in **Ward 2**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Elizabeth Syrotuik RM
she/her
Registered Midwife

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police**From:** Katie Sullivan**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2020 11:43 AM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; Director; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; HWDSB kids; clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

June 11, 2020

Hello,

My name is Katie Sullivan and I am a resident of Ward 13 in Hamilton.

I am extremely disappointed to see Councillor Collins' motion to simply review the implications of a 20% reduction in the police budget. This is not a meaningful way to engage the community and respond to our demands of defunding the police and reinvesting those funds in the community.

The problem with this motion is that it is a delaying tactic. We do not need a review. We already know that the HPS cause consistent harm against the Black, Indigenous, racialized and Queer people in our community. Furthermore, the Police board should not be making autonomous decisions about how money should be divested and reallocated - the community should determine, based on the needs of vulnerable and marginalized people, where money divested from the HPS should go.

Here is a revised motion that has been put forward by Black organizers in our city. Please have a look:

Whereas members of Hamilton City Council and members of the Police Service Board have received correspondence requesting the 'defunding of the Hamilton Police Service'; and,
 Whereas the same correspondence requests the reinvestment of the proposed budget reduction into other City funded services (ie. food security, anti-racism and affordable housing); and
 Whereas a budget reduction of 20% would substantially alter the current services provided by Hamilton Police Service staff;
 Whereas the city of Hamilton has claimed a \$23 million dollars deficit due to the COVID pandemic and,
 Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million dollars on the police budget, but only \$11 million on children's services; and,
 Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$44.3 million of housing services and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$4,804,750 on unhoused people and,

Whereas the Hamilton Police Service CEO has been approved for a \$10,000 raise totalling a \$308,250 salary in 2020 and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$31,300 on a pipe band, police choir and chorus but will reduce funding for food for prisoners by 5.97% totalling \$31,500 and,

Whereas the Hamilton police will spend 78,806 on ammunition and \$61,409 on Tasers, whose sole purpose is to physically harm people while they could be spent on any social services. The city and police should not have the power or tools to physically assault residents and should not have access to these weapons or a budget for them.

Whereas the Hamilton police have 17 new full time officers that work to violently oppress those made vulnerable in Hamilton while Ontario Works lost 44 hires to provide support to those same people.

Whereas it is likely that the Hamilton Police Services Board will attempt to show a 20% budget reduction that is in their favour and not in the interest of demilitarization

Therefore, be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service board will defund and demilitarize the Hamilton Police.

Be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service Board release a full, line by line, accounting of their dollars to the public instead of deciding where these hypothetical cuts should come from on their own.

Be it further resolved that the city of Hamilton will invest that money into services such as social housing, youth programming, sexual assault services, transit, food security, mental health response teams, and other community based alternatives to policing.

I look forward to hearing back from you on this matter,

Katie

From: Lindsay Staios
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 12:27 PM
To: clerk@hamilton.ca
Subject: Divest from Hamilton Policing Campaign

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Good Afternoon,

My name is Lindsay Staios and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Please Defund HPS

From: erin stanley

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:15 PM

To: Wilson, Maureen; Office of the Mayor; clerk@hamilton.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Please Defund HPS

Hi there,

My name is Erin Stanley and I live in Hamilton Ontario in the Strathcona neighbourhood.

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Delegation - June 15 General Issues Committee

From: Evan Gravely

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:45 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Delegation - June 15 General Issues Committee

Chair and Members of the General Issues Committee,

I am a resident of Ward 4 and am writing to you with concern over the proportion of funding for Police Services in Hamilton's 2020 operating budget. I am extremely displeased to learn that over \$170 million will be allocated to Police Services, especially now in light of worldwide protests against police violence and the force's link to systemic racist practices and disservice to the LGBTQ+ community.

I firmly believe that public funds would be better spent reducing poverty, which is a root cause of crime. Funding for Police Services should be diverted to initiatives like affordable housing, food security, and other social services that help to make Hamilton a safe and healthy community for all.

I stand in solidarity with Black Lives Matter activists in Hamilton and fully support the following demands:

1. Cancel the scheduled 3.8% increase, and all future increases, to the Hamilton Police Service's budget.
2. Propose and implement a minimum of a 10% budget cut to the 2020 operational budget.
3. Withhold pensions from and don't rehire police officers involved in excessive force cases.
4. Require police officers to be liable for misconduct settlements.
5. Reduce the size of the police force.

I am similarly astounded to learn that Hamilton's poverty rate is 15% for all residents, 20% spend more than half their income on rent, and that 13,000 people used the food bank last year. More policing, with more incidences of police brutality, will not solve these issues. Hamilton doesn't need more police: it needs affordable housing, healthy and affordable food, anti-racist education and advocacy groups, and accessible healthcare.

As the city discusses its operational and development plans, I urge you to prioritize the wellbeing of Hamilton residents by investing in services they need rather than spending nearly a third of the operational budget on Hamilton Police Services. I look to you for your leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,

Evan Gravely
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Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Regarding the Hamilton Police Services Budget

From: Angela Shlimon

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:13 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Regarding the Hamilton Police Services Budget

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the Hamilton Police Services 2020 budget of \$172 million from the total \$924 million operational budget for the City of Hamilton. This is roughly a 4% increase from the 2019 Police Services Budget. Despite this astronomically high budget, the Hamilton Police are not required to wear body cameras and the Hamilton Police Board has voted against the use of body cameras on four separate occasions. The Hamilton Police (on the City approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers. Comparatively, only \$158 million will be spent on social services, including transit and healthy/safe communities. In light of ongoing unrest between the public and police, it is crucial that the Hamilton Police Force begin to use body cameras. Body cameras can provide transparency and more accountability surrounding police use-of-force. I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. Not approve the 2021 Police Services Budget unless it allocates funds to body cameras.
2. Ensure the Hamilton Police Services uphold their promise to “take action to eliminate racism” (Hamilton Chief of Police, Eric Girt, 2020).
3. Eliminate unnecessary budget increases to Hamilton Police Services.

In a recent statement issued by Police Chief Girt, Hamilton Police Services have acknowledged that instances of police brutality “erode public trust in police”. In order to uphold relationships with the public and reaffirm their commitment to order and diversity, the Hamilton Police Services should be required to use body cameras.

By not approving the future Police Services Budget unless it includes funds for body cameras, the City of Hamilton has the potential to affirm its commitment to enhanced social justice.

Sincerely,
Angela Shlimon

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divesting from Hamilton Police

From: Mariel Rutherford

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:49 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divesting from Hamilton Police

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: A Concerned Ward 3 Resident about Hamilton Police Services

From: Jyssika Russell

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 7:54 PM

To: Nann, Nrinder; VanderBeek, Arlene; Farr, Jason; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: A Concerned Ward 3 Resident about Hamilton Police Services

To the clerk- I wish this email to be added to the agenda for the next possible council meeting.

To Councillor Nann, Councillor Vanderbeek, Councillor Farr, and Hamilton City Council,

My name is Jyssika Russell, and I am a Ward 3 resident, and have been living in Hamilton for ten years. I currently work as the coordinator of a youth program for 2SLGBTQ+ youth, and before that worked serving coffee both downtown and in Dundas.

I'm writing to stand in solidarity with local organizers and their demands, as well as sharing my personal stories of interactions with the Hamilton Police Service.

I have witnessed direct and unwarranted police violence several times while living in Hamilton. As a barista and supervisor at a major coffee chain, I interacted with the Hamilton Police many times at my job. Coffee shops, with their free wifi, shelter, and coffee often serve as a day shelter for Hamilton's most vulnerable, as our shelter and affordable housing options in this city are seriously underfunded.

Originally working in Dundas (Ward 13), I had mostly pleasant interactions with HPS- note here that I am white. The few times I had to interact with Police in my job, they were nonviolent, calm, and did not escalate, including with the few vulnerable folks that lived at shelters and residences in the region.

This contrasts *starkly* with my experience working downtown in Ward 2, when I was transferred to a new store. Working across from a large men's shelter (and within a 2 minute drive from the downtown HPS station), we had many shelter users at our store. This was generally without an issue, aside from occasional drug use in our bathrooms. However, on more than one occasion, I witnessed unwarranted and violent arrests INSIDE the cafe.

While I was the supervisor on duty, we had a situation where a man, assumed to be homeless entered the cafe. Other patrons bought him a coffee, while he sat peacefully at a table. Without clear cause, the Hamilton Police officers entered the cafe, and demanded he come with them, without giving any charge or reason. He refused, continually asking why he was being detained. When he refused to be arrested, the officers grabbed him, threw him on the tiled floor, with both officers physically pushing down on him with their knees.

The man being arrested used a phrase that now resonates across the world- "I can't breathe". He said that he was scared and had medical issues. As he struggled, and was very clearly in the control of the officers, the officers pulled their tasers out, laser sights set point blank on his side. This clear escalation was unwarranted, and this was evidenced by the shock and concern shared by all patron and staff witnesses.

The other cafe patrons were in shock. This was happening on a bright Sunday morning, with no clear reason or sign of danger to others. Shortly, five cars were on the scene, with nearly 10 officers there to deal with a nonviolent man. Fortunately, they arrived before the other officers tased him. He was escorted off the property.

When asked by bystanders why he was arrested, the answer was finger guns. Yes, you read that right. He pointed at them with his index finger, with his thumb in the air. They said this was "uttering threats" and indicating he had a lethal weapon.

THIS is what our tax dollars are spent on. Nearly ten officers, most paid over 100k/year, arresting people because they were offended. When police are offended, they are "justified" in use of force and given discretion to arrest and abuse Hamiltonians. When I am harassed and threatened at a community picnic (Pride 2018), I am afforded no justice or ability to defend myself, my community, or the youth I work with, and the police stand by and do nothing.

Neighbourhoods are policed differently. People, based on race, origin, religion, gender, and sexual orientation, are policed differently. We are "protected" differently, if at all. And for many Hamiltonians, the police not only fail to "protect" them, they actively harm and harass them- in public, at their jobs, in their schools.

My anger and frustration is mild compared to the justified anger, hurt, and injustice experienced by Black, Indigenous, and racialized residents of Hamilton. Friends, colleagues, and leaders in Hamilton have not only shared these frustrations and fears with me, but they have so kindly outlined them, repeatedly, for this council and the public. I thank them for their teachings and labour, and stand in solidarity with their calls for justice.

It is my responsibility, as someone who does not experience systemic racism within the institutions of the police, governments, etc. to name the actions, policies, and effects of the Hamilton Police Service as clear examples of anti-Black, systemic racism.

With that, I want it to be known that I stand in full support of the following demands disseminated by a broad, expert coalition of Black and racialised people in Hamilton.

I echo their calls to defund the police. I call on the city of Hamilton to reinvest the funds allocated to the Hamilton police into initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism, homo and transphobia, and also towards affordable housing.

I call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.

I stand in support of the following demands from these organizers- who are noted across the country for their work and expertise in dismantling racism and systemic oppression.

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An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Toronto.**

We should look to and learn from organizations like Black Lives Matter Toronto, Black Legal Action Centre, Toronto Police Accountability Coalition, PASAN, Showing Up for Racial Justice, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Further, I hold absolutely no faith in the Hamilton Police Services Board to interrogate defunding measures, as they are currently composed. A Board meant to sustain and support a specific service cannot objectively discuss or research defunding measures and the potential benefit to the broader Hamilton communities. I have witnessed, in person, a complete lack of empathy or engagement of ideas or notions beyond their limited scope. Their lack of self-reflection or self-interrogation is unmatched with any advisory or governance board I have experienced.

I am open to sharing with councillors and representatives how I have arrived at this position, and why I stand in solidarity with these statements. This is not a radical idea, nor is it unfounded or unresearched. I look forward to hearing further support on these issues from councillors around the (virtual) horseshoe.

Finally, thank you Councillor Nann for continuing to uplift the voices of your constituents, and the voices across Hamilton that are so often ignored and denigrated by your colleagues. I am proud to have you as my city councillor, and you have my full support. Sincerely,

Jyssika Russell Ward 3 Resident

Pilon, Janet

Subject: A call to Defund and Divest from the Hamilton Police

From: Maya Robertson

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:19 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: A call to Defund and Divest from the Hamilton Police

Hello,

I have sent the message below to the Office of the Mayor, as well as to each of Hamilton's City Councillors. I was advised by the Office of the Mayor to submit this correspondence to the City Clerk so that a record of it could be added to the official Council agenda.

Thank you for your time,

Maya Robertson

Hi,

My name is Maya Robertson and I live in Hamilton Ontario in the Durand neighbourhood, Ward 2. I stand in support of Black Hamiltonian organizers who last week released a series of demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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- We call on the city of Hamilton to defund the Hamilton police.
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As Mayor of this city, I hope you will take the time to listen to these demands and work to meet them. Together we can make Hamilton a safer, more equitable city, free from the oppressive and ineffective influence of the police.

Sincerely,

Maya Robertson

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Haley Reap

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:38 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

Hello,

My name is Haley Reap and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Ward 3. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of ongoing police brutality in Canada and in the United States:

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We must act now. I urge you to read, understand, and move forward with these actions.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: 2020 Hamilton Police Budget Call For Action

From: Natalie Raso

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 11:01 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: 2020 Hamilton Police Budget Call For Action

Dear City Clerk,

We are writing today to express our outrage regarding the Hamilton Police Services budget of \$178.4 million from the total \$397.7 million 2020 operational budget for the City of Hamilton (an increase of 3.23% since 2019). This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics, libraries and public housing combined. Following the recent horrific death of young Black and Indigenous woman Regis Korchinski-Paquet, we call upon our elected officials to support and ensure a transparent investigation into her death in Toronto, and start divesting from the Hamilton Police Services immediately.

We are asking that you share the following requests with City Council. We ask City Council the following,

1. To never again vote to increase the Hamilton Police Services budget.
2. To propose and implement a HPS budget cut of at least 10 per cent as we struggle to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Services.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons.

In order to do this, we call on our City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

1. Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases
2. Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
3. Reduce the size of police force

An increased police presence *does not* keep us safe, and all of the evidence consistently bears this out. Rather, an increased police presence directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (Black, Indigenous and People of Color, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc).

Instead of investing in the police, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, social workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton.

We should look to and learn from organizations like Black Lives Matter Toronto, Black Legal Action Centre, PASAN, Toronto Prisoners' Rights Project, Maggie's, Showing Up for Racial Justice, and so many more.

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Sincerely,

Dr. Natalie Raso and Mr. Stephen Zuccolo

PS - I have attached some excellent, relevant resources pertaining to this topic below:

[Critical Resistance Chart: Reformist Reforms vs abolitionist steps in policing](#)

[Report: Freedom to Thrive: Reimagining Safety & Security in Our Communities](#)

[The New Republic: The Pandemic Is the Right Time to Defund the Police](#)

[Toronto's billion-dollar problem: our cops - Toronto Life](#)

From: Nikhil Rajput

Sent: June 3, 2020 1:50 PM

To: Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Farr, Jason <Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Police Violence and Anti-Black Racism

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Jason Farr, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about anti-Black racism and violence, especially at the hands of police. I am a Hamilton resident living in ward #2.

We need greater transparency and communication after the loss of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, a Black woman in emotional distress who was killed instead of receiving medical help. Regis is only the most recent instance of a Black person dying in an encounter with police, something that has been happening in Canada for decades. Just last month, D'Andre Campbell was shot by the Peel police. Before that, countless others. The police in Canada have a long history of race-based violence. This is because our police system was designed for the purpose of containing and criminalizing Black and Indigenous peoples. Data reveals that Toronto's Black residents are 20 times more likely to be killed by police officers than white residents, despite having a much smaller population in the city overall. In addition, 70% of individuals who die in encounters with police struggle with mental health or substance use issues, or both. Racism in ALL Canadian cities is prevalent and real and I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to criminalize members of the Black community.

It is time to learn from the cyclical police violence unfolding throughout North America and commit ourselves to change before any more Black people are harmed in a police encounter. We need to start divesting from the systematically violent police services, and establish a long-term plan for community-led health and safety initiatives. The police force of Hamilton is overfunded and contrary to their mission, causing more violence and harm in our communities.

To start, I would like to see the Hamilton police budget reduced by at least 20% over the next 2 years and their operating budget made public. I would like to see those tax dollars permanently reallocated into social services, education, mental health programs, supervised injection sites, jobs and affordable housing. These are the vital services we will need to bounce back from the pandemic and keep our communities safe. Strengthening municipal social supports will reduce crime by addressing the issues that lead to it at their source.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Nikhil Rajput

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Police Funding in Hamilton

From: **Kelly Coxson**

Date: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 10:51 PM

Subject: Police Funding in Hamilton

To: <maureen.wilson@hamilton.ca>, <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>, <mayor@hamilton.ca>, <jason.farr@hamilton.ca>, <sam.merulla@hamilton.ca>, <chad.collins@hamilton.ca>, <tom.jackson@hamilton.ca>, <esther.pauls@hamilton.ca>, <ward8@hamilton.ca>, <brad.clark@hamilton.ca>, <maria.pearson@hamilton.ca>, <brenda.johnson@hamilton.ca>, <loyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca>, <arlene.vanderbeek@hamilton.ca>, <terry.whitehead@hamilton.ca>, <judi.partridge@hamilton.ca>

Dear City Council & Mayor Eisenberger,

I am writing to you in regard to the police budget in Hamilton. While I respect and understand the need for law enforcement and policing, I think a review of how the police are funded is long overdue. Every city has social problems that need to be addressed, including criminal and dangerous activity, however it is unclear why the police have become the go-to 'solution' for everything from organized crime to complaints about homeless people loitering.

How many times do we need to hear from members of racialized communities, LGBTQ people, people living with mental illnesses or addictions, that they are targeted by the police and feel intimidated and threatened by officers? How many reports of acts of violence, sexual assault, disrespect, and other misconduct from police officers that face no consequences? At what point do we as a city say "something has to change"?

I read today that the Hamilton Police Department is looking for permission to utilize their 2019 surplus on items including weapons and vehicles. This request is so incredibly tone-deaf in our current political climate. Hamilton citizens need transit, social services, mental health resources, financial support, employment opportunities, clean neighbourhoods, better training for police....we need so many things more than guns. If for some reason the surplus HAS to stay within the police department, why can't it be used to work on improving the police force for all Hamiltonians? Training, education, and more community policing oriented positions should be higher priority for the police and City Council.

Traditional policing models keep getting higher funding, yet the underlying issues causing most crimes barely receive funding compared to the police. I want Hamilton to be ahead of the curve on this. Please think progressively and critically about what the city needs.

Thank you,

Kelly Coxson
Ward 3 Citizen

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Divesting from the Hamilton Police Service

From: Sarah Perkins

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:40 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divesting from the Hamilton Police Service

Hi there,

My name is Sarah Perkins and I live in Hamilton Ontario in the Landsdale neighbourhood, in Ward 3. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Sarah Perkins, M.OMSc

From: Carol Classen

Sent: June 2, 2020 5:47 PM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; VanderBeek, Arlene <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Policing changes needed

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Vanderbeek, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am writing to you today to express my concerns about anti-Black racism, particularly at the hands of police. I am a Hamilton resident living in ward 13.

We are in need of greater oversight and transparency in our police service to be able to drive out race-based discrimination and violence. Non-white members of the community are simply not treated equally as whites in encounters with police and in the judicial system. We regularly have members of violent and explicitly racist white supremacist groups congregating unchecked outside of city hall. I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to criminalize members of the Black and indigenous communities.

I believe the police force of Hamilton needs to be reformed and retrained because, contrary to their mission, they are currently causing more fear, violence and harm to our communities. We need to see reforms implemented now to lead to better outcomes in the future before any more people are unjustly harmed in a police encounter.

I would like to see:

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- Finally, I would like to see the Police's adoption of the 84 recommendations in the 2014 report by Frank Iacobucci, aimed at reducing fatal encounters with people in emotional distress.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Carol Classen

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Next Steps

From: Daniella partito

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 6:25 PM

To: Collins, Chad; Office of the Mayor; clerk@hamilton.ca; Matthew.Grreen@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca; filpmena.tassi@park.gc.ca; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; nardinim@hwcdsb.ca; dintinoa@hwcdsb.ca

Subject: Next Steps

Hi there,

My name is **Daniella Partito** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in the Ward 5 **neighbourhood**. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Concerns about the Hamilton Police

From: Jackie Levitt

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:28 PM

To: Stevenson, Kirsten; Office of the Mayor; Nann, Nrinder; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; Community Inclusion; clerk@hamilton.ca; Farr, Jason; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca

Subject: Concerns about the Hamilton Police

Hello,

My name is Jackie Levitt. I am an HWDSB Elementary Teacher, and I live and work in the Beasley neighbourhood of Downtown Hamilton.

My partner recently wrote an email to the Police Services Board expressing deep concerns about the way Black, racialized, and queer citizens are being treated by the HPS. In light of recent events, and in solidarity with black leaders across our city, I would like to also express my concerns.

We have personally witnessed many unacceptable actions by HPS. This past year alone, we have seen:

- A black man thrown on the pavement and pinned down for asking to retrieve his wallet from the back of a cruiser
- A distressed, elderly black woman being threatened by a barking police dog and then locked in the back of a police van on a hot day.
- A black neighbour being told by HPS not to file a report of racial assault because it would be too time consuming for everyone.
- Police taking photos of peaceful (LGBTQ) protesters with a zoom lens as a method of active intimidation.
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We were told that you would speak to these items at your next police services board meeting. This is not enough. Citizens across Hamilton are expecting you to show leadership and make some significant and meaningful changes.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police

From: Lauren Morocco

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:32 AM

Subject: Fwd: Defund the Police

Dear Mayor Eisenberger, City Council Services, and Police Services,

I wrote to my ward councillor Nringer last week, but realized I should have sent this to you as well. I am a new Hamiltonian from Toronto, and I am hoping that Hamilton can set an example as a changing city with a lot of potential to do right by its new and long time citizens.

I do not agree with the current distribution of funding within the city of Hamilton's 2020 preliminary operating budget. It is unacceptable that over \$170 million, or what equates to 27.7% of the projected operational 2020 budget, has been marked for Police Services.

In light of the nation-wide Black Lives Matter protests, including the June 1st protest in Gore Park, and knowing that the Hamilton police force has been linked to systemic racist practices, I am urging you to reconsider the allocation of the 2020 operational budget and tax supported final capital budget.

In reconsidering the allocation of the city of Hamilton's budget, I urge you to consider the statement made by Black Lives Matter activists in Hamilton, who urged the city to defund Hamilton Police Service and to stop ticketing and surveilling people who are homeless. Rather, these funds should be diverted into initiatives such as food security, affordable housing, and anti-racism initiatives, including an independent Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre (HARRC), and social outreach.

Funding to the Hamilton Police Services can be reduced in the following ways:

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- 4) Require police officers to be liable for misconduct settlements.
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With a poverty rate of 15% for all residents and 20.5% for children, Hamilton needs to reassess its priorities. We do not need more policing, more surveillance, and more police brutality. We need affordable housing in a city where 20% of renters spend more than half their income on rent. We need access to affordable and healthy food in a city where more than 13,000 people, of which 40% were children, used the food bank last year. We need funded anti-racist education and advocacy in a city that was ranked number one for police-reported hate crimes.

I know that you and the city's councillors have met to discuss the city's economic recovery on June 4th. As a concerned citizen, I am calling on you to prioritize the financial wellbeing and recovery of Hamilton residents by investing in services that Hamilton residents need rather than further disenfranchise many residents by funding the Hamilton Police Services.

It is very clear to me that it is not financially feasible, or morally feasible that the current set up in North America for the police services to continue and overwhelming change needs to happen for our citizens and members of the community to live in a safe community. When those who are meant to protect and serve are those we have to be most concerned about, it is not the way forward for our society.

Sincerely,

Lauren Morocco

Pilon, Janet

Subject: URGENT: DIVEST FROM HAMILTON POLICE NOW

From: Adam George Palios

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:52 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: URGENT: DIVEST FROM HAMILTON POLICE NOW

Hi there,

My name is Adam Palios and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Corktown. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Awaiting your response and action on this important and urgent matter.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: defund the police

From: Scott Neigh

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:26 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen

Cc: HWDSB kids; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: defund the police

(please note this is being re-sent to include a cc to the city clerk)

Hello Councillor Wilson and Mayor Eisenberger,

My name is Scott Neigh and I live in Hamilton's Ward 1. Last week, Black organizers in Hamilton released the demands listed below, in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States.

Already, the city of Minneapolis has declared its intention to disband their police department, the city of Los Angeles is cutting \$100 million from their police budget, Councillor Josh Matlow has called for a 10% reduction in the budget of the Toronto Police Service, and other cities across the continent are taking similar action in response to the growing demand to defund the police.

These issues are no less present in Hamilton than anywhere else across North America. A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services. Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

We need to change how we think about what it means to keep our communities safe. So many voices, particularly Black and Indigenous voices, are saying very clearly right now that policing does not make communities safe, and it is essential that the rest of us start listening. The safest communities, in fact, are not those with the most police but those with the most resources. It is time for us to ask why this city spends \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. And to begin shifting money from the former to the latter.

It is time, moreover, for the City of Hamilton to start listening to the demands coming from both this continent-wide movement and local Black organizers. And it is time that the city to act on the relevant demands on the list below.

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call to defund police

From: Caroline Murakami

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 8:00 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Call to defund police

Hi there,

My name is Caroline Murakami and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 2. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Regards,
Caroline Murakami

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police Now

From: Anna Morreale

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:29 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; isheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; mayor@ham; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; Office of the Mayor; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; filomena.tassi@parl.gc.ca; sshaw-qp@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Wilson, Maureen; bob.bratina@parl.gc.ca; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Danko, John-Paul; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; Partridge, Judi; Whitehead, Terry; VanderBeek, Arlene

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police Now

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Thank you for your time,

Anna Morreal

Pilon, Janet

Subject: 2020 Call to Action/Divestment in Police

From: Anna Morgan

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 12:42 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: 2020 Call to Action/Divestment in Police

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to forward my correspondence sent to the Mayor and local council person to request that it be included in an upcoming Council/Committee agenda for all Members of Council to see. I am writing today to express my outrage over law enforcement's disregard for human rights and human life as a part of a long legacy of colonial and racialized violence at the hands of police across Turtle Island (North America). White Supremacy and Anti-Black racism claimed another victim on May 25, 2020, when George Floyd was murdered by police in Minneapolis in cold blood while begging for air. I stand united with all those who are battling racism and resisting police oppression in all its forms across Turtle Island and around the Globe.

Racism does not stop at the border and Hamilton needs to take seriously to address its own involvement in colonial and racialized violence. Hamilton is ranked the # 1 city for police reported hate crimes and that 34 of the 38 reported hate crimes were directed at Black Hamiltonians. In addition, Hamilton has had far-right protests and violence at the City Hall forecourt and white supremacists at Hamilton Pride.

I call upon our elected to start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Service immediately and actively address colonial and racialized violence in Hamilton.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To never again vote to increase the Hamilton Police Service budget, (Hamilton's current police budget is \$166 million, which was an increase of 3.2 percent in 2019).
2. To propose and implement a HPS budget cut and use the money towards initiatives such as food security, poverty reduction, affordable housing and anti-racism initiatives.
3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investment into Hamilton Police Service.
4. Stop ticketing and surveilling of people who are homeless.
5. Remove police from schools.
6. Work actively with BIPOC-led organizations and center initiatives around the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

1. Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases.
2. Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements.
3. Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.

An increased police presence, which includes fare inspectors and enforcement officers, does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, social workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and center the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton. We should look to and learn from organizations like Black Lives Matter, Afro Canadian Caribbean Association Hamilton, Hamilton Center for Civic Inclusion, Coalition of Black and Racialized Artists, the SPACE Youth Center, Refugee Hamilton Center for Newcomer Health and many other BIPOC and 2SLGBT+ led organizations.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Anna Morgan

Further resources:

Sandy Hudson: Defunding The Police Will Save Black And Indigenous Lives In Canada

https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/entry/defund-police-canada-black-indigenous-lives_ca_5ed65eb2c5b6ccd7c56bdf7d

Critical Resistance Chart: Reformist Reforms vs abolitionist steps in policing https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59ead8f9692ebee25b72f17f/t/5b65cd58758d46d34254f22c/1533398363539/CR_NoCops_reform_vs_abolition_CRside.pdf

Report: Freedom to Thrive: Reimagining Safety & Security in Our Communities <https://populardemocracy.org/news/publications/freedom-thrive-reimagining-safety-security-our-communities>

The Pandemic Is the Right Time to Defund the Police <https://newrepublic.com/article/157875/pandemic-right-time-defund-police>

Toronto's billion-dollar problem: our cops <https://torontolife.com/city/crime/toronto-police-service-vs-everybody/>

No More Cop Unions <https://newrepublic.com/article/157918/no-cop-unions>

Police Unions and the Problem of Police Misconduct ²<https://reason.com/2020/05/30/police-unions-and-the-problem-of-police-misconduct/>

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

From: Katie Sullivan

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 6:18 PM

To: VanderBeek, Arlene; Office of the Mayor; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; FILOMENA.TASSI@PARL.GC.CA; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

Hi there,

My name is Katie Sullivan and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 13. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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I hope you take these demands seriously and give them the attention they deserve.

Thank you,

Katie

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Invest in Healthy & Safe Communities

From: Kait Bos

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:36 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Invest in Healthy & Safe Communities

To Chairs and Members of Emergency & Community Services Committee,

My name is Kaitlin and my husband Wes and I have been living at [REDACTED], for 7 years. We are both Caucasian with post-secondary educations, and have three children. We live in Ward 2 and invest in our area by doing all of our business and activities within walking distance. We love this city.

I write to you to express my deep concern about the lack of funding for Healthy & Safe Communities in Hamilton as well as the exorbitant amount of money the city spends on Policing. In recent news I've learned that the City of Hamilton spends \$171 million on policing which I think should be reinvested to where we need it most.

As a taxpayer I would love our high taxes to go into initiatives that care for the community. We need to invest in proper care for people most in need especially in our ward: those who are homeless, struggling with addiction or mental health trauma, and newcomers to Hamilton. We need affordable housing including regular maintenance, more money for education, more childcare, and programs to support the new families integrating into the city.

I don't want my taxpayer money to go to 4 new traffic cops and their cars. I want a better investment for our community and that means reducing the budget for Hamilton Police and reinvesting that money into Healthy & Safe Communities.

Thank-you

Kait

Pilon, Janet

Subject: HWDSB Kids Need Help: Defund the Police

From: Alana Morgan

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:12 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; clerk@hamilton.ca; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: HWDSB Kids Need Help: Defund the Police

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My name is **Alana Morgan** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Sent from my iPhone

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Policing

From: Sameeksha Mishra

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 6:14 PM

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; Office of the Mayor; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Wilson, Maureen; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from policing

From: Brittany Medeiros

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 7:06 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Nann, Nrinder; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; clerk@hamilton.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divest from policing

Hi there,

My name is **Brittany** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in **Ward 3**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Kind Regards,
Brittany

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Carolyn McNeillie

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:39 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest police funding

From: Danielle McKay

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:32 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Thank you
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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Demands for anti-racism in Hamilton

From: Mackenzie Mawson

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 6:58 PM

To: Farr, Jason

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Demands for anti-racism in Hamilton

Dear Jason Farr,

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Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely, Mackenzie Mawson

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Reem Mandil

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 11:59 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Divest from Hamilton Police

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council:

I am forwarding my correspondence below to the Office of the City Clerk in order that it be added to an upcoming Council/Committee Agenda. The correspondence contains several demands centred around divestment from Hamilton police and addressing the unjust policing of Black, Indigenous, racialized, and low-income groups.

Best,
Reem Mandil

Begin forwarded message:

From: Reem Mandil

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

Date: June 7, 2020 at 7:00:44 PM EDT

To: mayor@hamilton.ca, SShaw-CO@ndp.on.ca, lloyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca,
FILOMENA.TASSI@PARL.GC.CA

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Dear all,

My name is Reem Mandil and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Ward 12 (Ancaster). Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defunding the Hamilton Police

From: Hailey MacLeod

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:16 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defunding the Hamilton Police

Hi there,

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divert from Hamilton Police

From: Alexa MacKenzie

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:19 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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My name is Alexa MacKenzie and I live in Hamilton Ontario in (Ward 3). Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Sincerely,
Alexa MacKenzie

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police

From: Odelle Ma

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 11:35 AM

To: Wilson, Maureen; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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My name is Odelle Ma and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 1. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Jeff Low

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:08 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Farr, Jason

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Hi there,

My name is Jeff Low and I live in Hamilton, Ontario, Ward 2. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Subject: Police in Hamilton

From: Anna Lindsay-Mosher

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 3:53 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Regards,
Anna Lindsay-Mosher

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Delegation

From: Marie Treasa Levasseur

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:56 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Delegation

Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

My name is Treasa Levasseur and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3.

Last week, black organizers released a list of demands in a petition I signed my name to. Here are some reasons why I did so:

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I watched my own neighbour surveilled and eventually taken away by police because he is experiencing a mental health breakdown - this happened only after repeated visits and complaints, and after he harassed a woman to the point of her feeling unsafe. We should be funding mental health and social services adequately so that trained people can respond to these types of incidences

in a timely and trauma informed fashion, not wait until people are endangered and then take someone by force.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider my concerns. I sincerely hope to see meaningful action leading to a more just and equitable society.

Treasa Levasseur (she,her)

Treasa Levasseur (she,her)

www.treasalevasseur.com

I gratefully acknowledge my presence on ancestral Anishnaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land, and within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon agreement.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: URGENT CONCERNS

From: Valeria Kuri

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 8:52 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten; Office of the Mayor

Subject: URGENT CONCERNS

Hello Mayor Eisenberger,

My name is Valeria Kuri and I am a Hamilton resident living in Ward # 5 (and have been for the past 5 years) I am calling today to express that I absolutely do not support the Hamilton Police Service's budget of \$171 million for 2020. **An increased police presence does not keep us safe.** It does not keep Hamilton's black and brown communities safe, instead it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities.

As public representatives, it is your duty to listen to the people you represent rather than prioritizing the demands of an institution that has been academically and legally studied to be absolutely, 100% systemically racist and disproportionality oppresses racialized members of your city (if you would like more evidence of systemic racism in the legal system, I would love to send legal papers and other academic papers regarding the issue of over-policing and police brutality against racialized communities, for example, pieces written by my Professor and recognized legal scholar, David Tanovich).

I am writing to you today to express my outrage regarding the allocation of **\$171 million to the Hamilton Police Service budget, in comparison to a mere \$158 million to social services** for the City of Hamilton. This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics, libraries and public housing combined. I stand with Hamilton's Black community in demands to **start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Service immediately.**

I support the full demands of Hamilton's Black community, which can you find [here](#).

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, **towards the abolition of police and prisons**. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to **reduce funding in these ways:**

- Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.

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sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Toronto.** We should look to and learn from organizations like [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#), [Black Legal Action Centre](#), [PASAN](#), [Showing Up for Racial Justice](#), [Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion](#), and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

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I trust that as a councillor in my city, you will hear what I and my communities are demanding and ensure our voices are represented.

I will be closely watching the actions of city and provincial officials in the future and continuing to advocate for police divestment.

Valeria Kuri,
MSW/JD Candidate, 2021
University of Windsor

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW:

From: Dhiren Khattar

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:39 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject:

Hi there,

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Subject: jason.farr@hamilton.ca

From: Sasha Katz

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:10 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: jason.farr@hamilton.ca

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Thank you for your time, I hope Hamilton makes the right move going forward and will be on the RIGHT side of history.

Yours truly,
Sasha Katz

Pilon, Janet

Subject: URGENT: Divest From Hamilton Police

From: Nisha Kansal

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:05 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: HWDSB kids

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Hi there,

My name is Dr. Nisha Kansal, and I am a resident physician in Hamilton, Ontario. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Thank you for your support of our communities, and I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

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Nisha Kansal

Family Medicine Resident Physician

McMaster University

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: De-funding Policing Campaign

From: Amar Hussein

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 7:47 PM

To: Whitehead, Terry; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Pilon, Janet

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From: Kate Hunter

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:21 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund HPS

From: Kate Hand

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:45 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund HPS

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From: Hamsmart Information

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:21 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; VanderBeek, Arlene; terry-whitehead@hamilton.ca; Partridge, Judi; Danko, John-Paul

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund the Police

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Action Needed - Divest Hamilton Police in Hamilton

From: Gabbi Greco

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:28 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: Office of the Mayor; HWDSB kids

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Hi there,

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police Campaign

From: Marcel North Gallant

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 11:10 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor

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Thank you,
Marcel North Gallant

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the police

From: Emma Cole

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:44 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: 'HWDSB kids'

Subject: Defund the police

Hi there,

My name is **Emma Cole** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in **Ward 14**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

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Emma Cole

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Black Lives Matter in Hamilton

From: **Anna Fischer**

Date: Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 12:10 PM

Subject: RE: Black Lives Matter in Hamilton

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>, <maureen.wilson@hamilton.ca>, <jason.farr@hamilton.ca>, <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>, <sam.merulla@hamilton.ca>, <chad.collins@hamilton.ca>, <tom.jackson@hamilton.ca>, <esther.pauls@hamilton.ca>, <john-paul.danko@hamilton.ca>, <brad.clark@hamilton.ca>, <maria.pearson@hamilton.ca>, <brenda.johnson@hamilton.ca>, <lloyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca>, <arlene.vanderbeek@hamilton.ca>, <terry.whitehead@hamilton.ca>, <judi.partridge@hamilton.ca>
Cc: <hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com>

Hi there,

My name is Anna Fischer, I'm a small business owner here in Ward 4, Hamilton Ontario. I would like to know how the city of Hamilton attends to address concerns about racism and policing in our community, by way of direct and immediate action.

Last week, black organizers released some demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services. I've included a list of the demands below, and I would appreciate it if you took a second to look them over.

Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies. The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes.

This is unacceptable. Again, I would like to know how the City of Hamilton intends to address concerns about racism and policing in our communities.

Yours respectfully,

Anna Fischer

Demands:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Anti-Racist Action in Hamilton - add to agenda

From: Kendra Cheeseman

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:04 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Anti-Racist Action in Hamilton - add to agenda

Hello,

I am writing to add the following notes for a future council meeting:

My name is Kendra and I live in Hamilton Ontario in the Kirkendall neighbourhood. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Kendra Cheeseman, MLA
(she/her)

Pilon, Janet

From: Jiya C

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 6:24 PM

Subject:

My name is Jiya and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 2 neighbourhood. I am emailing because I am outraged at the lack of response and accountability the city of Hamilton has shown when it comes to protecting our black and brown communities. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Toronto.** We should look to and learn from organizations like Black Lives Matter Toronto, Black Legal Action Centre, Toronto Police Accountability Coalition, PASAN, Showing Up for Racial Justice, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Jiya Chaudhary

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Addressing Safety and Security Concerns of Hamilton Community Members

From: Brigitte Evering

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:13 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Farr, Jason

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Addressing Safety and Security Concerns of Hamilton Community Members

My name is Brigitte Evering and I live in Hamilton's Ward 2. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States. In Hamilton, a 2018 carding consultation highlighted that Black youth in our city are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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The many kinds of violent acts perpetrated as a result of federal, provincial, and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend far more on policing than on social services. Specifically, in 2020 the Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78K ammunition, \$95K on surveillance, and \$61K on tasers, but only \$28K on food for prisoners.

We are spending millions of dollars on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

I support the following demands based on those that have been articulated by Black organizers in Hamilton. As part of a community of citizens concerned with how policing, education, and social services are connected and affect the lives of Black and Indigenous people in our shared city:

- We call on the city of Hamilton to address the way and the degree to which Hamilton police are funded.
- We call on the city of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the police instead towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity and racism, and towards more affordable housing.
- We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services cease the ticketing and surveilling of homeless and disabled people in Hamilton, and that there be a moratorium on the hiring of police constables in Hamilton given the documented over-surveilling of homeless people during the pandemic.
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I understand that there are other demands that I have not specifically included here. Once I have educated myself on these other demands, I may email again.

Please respond to me directly detailing the actions you are taking to address these demands along with keeping me apprised of progress you are making.

Dr. Brigitte Evering

brigitte.evering.trent@gmail.com

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divesting from Hamilton Police Services

From: Danica Evering

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 6:38 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Merulla, Sam

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Divesting from Hamilton Police Services

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Councillor Sam Merulla,

My name is Danica Evering and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 4. Last week, Black organizers in our city released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States. These demands are included below.

Councillor Chad Collins' motion this week to review the implications of a 20% reduction in the police budget does nothing to address the demands for the community calling for the reallocation of those funds into social programs that benefit marginalized and vulnerable communities.

Any reduction to the Hamilton Police is important, however if the overarching goal is not to fully defund the Hamilton Police and work towards abolition, then this motion is simply an attempt to undermine the demands and the efforts of Black and racialized people in the city. To be clear: the community is calling for a full defunding of the Hamilton Police and a reallocation of those funds into the community.

Social housing, youth programming, sexual assault services, transit, food security, mental health response teams, and other community programs are all much more appropriate responses to keep our communities safe and healthy.

The demands from Black organizers in our city are as follows:

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I look forward to viewing the virtual council meeting on June 24 and hearing the steps you are taking to ensure the safety of constituents.

Regards,
Danica Evering
Ward 4

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police Services

From: Dillen Docherty

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:45 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Whitehead, Terry

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police Services

Hi there,

My name is Dillen Docherty and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 14. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: Defund Hamilton Police

From: Jack DiTommaso

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:50 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Policing

From: Alyssa DeAngelis

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:57 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divest from Policing

Dear May Eisenberger and Members of Council,

My name is Alyssa DeAngelis and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Thank you

Alyssa DeAngelis, MSW RSW (She/Her).

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call to defund the HPS

From: Salina Dang

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 10:38 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Call to defund the HPS

Hello,

My name is Salina Dang and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 2. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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While any reduction to the Hamilton Police is important, if the overarching goal is not to fully defund the Hamilton Police and work towards abolition, then this motion is simply an attempt to undermine the demands and the efforts of Black and racialized people in the city. To be clear: **the community is calling for a full defunding of the Hamilton Police and a reallocation of those funds into the community.**

Sincerely,
Salina Dang

Pilon, Janet

Subject: DEFUND POLICING CAMPAIGN

From: Maddy Byra

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 12:59 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Farr, Jason; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: DEFUND POLICING CAMPAIGN

Hi there,

My name is **Madelyn Byra** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in **Ward 2**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Maddy Byra, MSc
Child Health & Exercise Medicine Program
PhD Student, Medical Sciences
McMaster University

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Black lives matter

From: Ian Burns

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:46 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Black lives matter

Hi there,

My name is Ian Burns and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Gibson neighbourhood. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: We Need Action!

Importance: High

From: Shanice Bowrin

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:43 PM

To: Office of the Mayor

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca; Nann, Nrinder

Subject: We Need Action!

Hi there,

My name is **Shanice Bowrin** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 3 in **Hamilton**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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I hope that you take my words and the words of the many Ontarians seriously and bring about action.

Thank you for your time.

Shanice Bowrin

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call to Action - 2020 Hamilton Police Budget

From: Abeer Ahmad

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:29 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Call to Action - 2020 Hamilton Police Budget

Dear Members of Council,

I am writing to you today to express my outrage regarding the Hamilton Police Service budget of **\$171.6 million for the total 2020 operational budget** for the City of Hamilton (an increase of 4% since 2019). This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics, libraries and public housing combined. Following the recent horrific death of young Black and Indigenous woman Regis Korchinski-Paquet, I call upon our elected officials to **start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Services immediately**.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To **never again** vote to increase the Hamilton Police Service budget.
2. To propose and implement a HPS **budget cut of of at least 10%** as we struggle to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. To prioritize the expansion of **community-led health and safety initiatives** over future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Service.
4. To **increase transparency** surrounding Hamilton Police Services spending and cases involving police violence, such as those in which officers have used excessive force.
5. To stop the ticketing and surveilling marginalized Hamiltonians.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training *doesn't work*. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to **reduce funding in these ways**:

- Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases.
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements.
- Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.
- Halt purchases of weapons, high tech surveillance equipment and cease surveilling communities.

An increased police presence, which includes HSR inspectors and enforcement officers, does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid,

social workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton.** We should look to and learn from organizations like [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#), [Black Legal Action Centre](#), [Toronto Police Accountability Coalition](#), [PASAN](#), [Toronto Prisoners' Rights Project](#), [Maggie's](#), [Showing Up for Racial Justice](#), and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Abeer Ahmad

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Let's make our communities just and safe

From: Shababa Bakht

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 12:06 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Wilson, Maureen; Office of the Mayor

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Let's make our communities just and safe

Hi there,

My name is **Shababa Bakht** and I live in Hamilton Ontario in **Ward 1**. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

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Shababa Bakht

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Humanity needs you.

From: Leah Avery

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:21 PM

Subject: Humanity needs you.

Good afternoon,

My name is Leah Avery and I live in Hamilton Ontario.

hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Sincerely,
Leah Avery

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police!

From: Marwa Alsaqqar

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:12 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; VanderBeek, Arlene

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police!

Hi there,

My name is Marwa Al-Saqqar and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 13. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Fareeda Baruwa

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:38 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Fwd: Divest from Hamilton Police

Hi there,

My name is Fareeda Baruwa and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 1. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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We must do better.

Thank you,

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

From: Rizza Arcas

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:12 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: kids Hwdsb

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police

Hello,

My name is Rizza Arcas and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 14. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Regards,
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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Black Lives Matter / Police Divestment demands

From: Will Allen

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 11:12 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Black Lives Matter / Police Divestment demands

Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

My name is Will Allen and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Ward 2 (near Jackson Square). Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Please act soon to respond to these calls and to address the concern being raised around racial and other inequity and police violence here in Hamilton and all over North America.

Thanks for your time,

Will

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Will Allen
he/him

From: Abedar Kamgari

Sent: June 10, 2020 10:40 PM

To: Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Follow up on earlier correspondence

Dear councillor Maureen Wilson, Mayor Eisenberger, and General Issues Committee,

I am writing to follow up on my earlier correspondence from June 1. My name is Abedar Kamgari and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 1. I am writing to you to express my utmost support for the recent demands released by Black organizers in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Thank you for your time and attention. I look forward to hearing back from you on these issues.

Best wishes,
Abedar Kamgari

Pilon, Janet

Subject: A plea I hope doesn't fall on the deaf ears of those more willing to deny having caused harm, than to accept that all reasonable societies must allow for reform.

From: Dima Matar

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 10:07 AM

Subject: A plea I hope doesn't fall on the deaf ears of those more willing to deny having caused harm, than to accept that all reasonable societies must allow for reform.

Hello,

My name is Dima Matar and I live in Hamilton, Ontario (Ward 2). Not too long ago, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Request to review and support requests of Defund the Police advocacy group

From: Verhovsek, Madeleine

Sent: June 12, 2020 12:04 AM

To: Wilson, Maureen <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>; Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Cc: Kojo Dampthey <kdampthey@hcci.ca>

Subject: Request to review and support requests of Defund the Police advocacy group

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Councillor Wilson,

As a concerned resident in Ward 1, I am writing to amplify and support the message I have heard loud and clear from my Black friends and colleagues, and from anti-racism advocates in Hamilton - the call to Defund the Police.

As you know, members of our Hamilton community who are Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) are more likely to have negative experiences with the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) than are White Hamiltonians. A number of experiences have been documented in local media in recent years, and several show frightening similarities to recent tragic, high-profile police killings of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota and Chantel Moore in Edmundston, New Brunswick.

In response to decades of discriminatory treatment at the hands of police services of people who are BIPOC, homeless, LGBTQ2S+ and/or living with disability, a group of young, engaged citizens have put forth a call to Defund the Police in the City of Hamilton, outlining a number of carefully considered demands, including a call to reduce the HPS budget and direct funds into "initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing & other social services."

While, as a physician and educator, I do not claim to have expertise in policing practices or budgets, I know from careful personal study and consideration of this issue, along with numerous conversations with racialized friends, colleagues and patients, that there is universally a "double-standard" experienced by racialized individuals in their experiences with the police. As such, as a White woman in Hamilton, I know that I am living in a privileged and parallel universe with regards to my experiences with and perceptions of (and by) HPS. I have never been carded. I have never been stopped for minor vehicle infractions (although I most certainly have forgotten to signal a lane change on occasion, and I have inadvertently driven around in a car with burnt out brake light). I have never been approached or questioned when hanging around in public spaces with other White people. None of these things have happened to me, nor have they ever happened to other members of my immediate family who are also White. However, these experiences – and sometimes worse – occur far too regularly for racialized members of our community, and police discrimination is just one of many forms of racial injustice that needs to be immediately addressed in our city.

I would respectfully ask that you review and support the requests of the Defund the Police advocacy group. Ideally these actions would come as part of a comprehensive City of Hamilton anti-racism action plan, spanning all city services and departments. In our diverse city, we cannot afford to let systemic racism hold back the gleaming potential of our racialized community members.

Sincerely,

Dr. Madeleine Verhovsek, BSc, MD, FRCPC

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police

From: Megan Janssen

Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2020 8:19 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund Hamilton Police

Hello!

I hope this note finds you well in these strange times.

I am a born and bred Hamiltonian (L8P2J3) and I would like to raise my voice in solidarity of the Black Lives Matter movement and their call to defund the police, redistributing the funds to support our communities, and make us all safer, happier, and healthier.

I look forward to hearing you speak to this matter, and how we can move forward to improve life for all in our community.

Sincerely,

Megan Janssen (pronouns: she, her) | Undergraduate Advisor

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: We Demand Change

From: Rebecca Steckle

Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 6:35 PM

To: Office of the Mayor

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: We Demand Change

Good afternoon,

My name is Rebecca and I live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 5. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,
Rebecca

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defunding Policing in Hamilton ON

From: AJARAT SHIPEOLU

Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 5:30 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defunding Policing in Hamilton ON

Hi there,

My name is Bolade Shipeolu, and as a student at McMaster I have lived in Hamilton, Ontario for 4 years and in Ward 1. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States: A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

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Kind Regards,
 Bolade (Ajarat) Shipeolu
 BHSc, Global Health Specialization

"what didn't you do to bury me...but you forgot that I was a seed" - Dinos Christianopoulos

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: In Response to Councillor Collins' motion

From: Anna Morreale

Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 1:12 PM

To: Stevenson, Kirsten; Collins, Chad; Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Jackson, Tom; Danko, John-Paul; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; filomena.tassi@parl.gc.ca; sshaw-qp@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; bob.bratina@parl.gc.ca; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: In Response to Councillor Collins' motion

Hello

As a community member of Hamilton I am extremely disappointed by the motion passed to 'review' what a 20% reduction in the Hamilton Police Services budget would look like. What this city needs is not a review, that would waste the taxpayers dollar, but commencement towards **fully defunding the HPS.**

This motion does nothing to address the demands of the community and undermines Hamiltons Black and Indigenous organizers and initiatives that have been doing the work to fully realize a future of safer and just social services
Over 3000 community members have signed onto the demands to defund the Hamilton Police and re-allocate those funds into programs that benefit marginalized and vulnerable communities.

The HPS should also not be involved in how this money is reallocated. **The community should determine where the money divested from HPS should be invested based on the needs of the most vulnerable populations in our city.**

HWDSB Kids Need Help and other Black and Indigenous led organizations have proposed a new motion I will copy below:

Motion:

Whereas members of Hamilton City Council and members of the Police Service Board have received correspondence requesting the 'defunding of the Hamilton Police Service'; and,
Whereas the same correspondence requests the reinvestment of the proposed budget reduction into other City funded services (ie. food security, anti-racism and affordable housing); and
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Whereas the city of Hamilton has claimed a \$23 million dollars deficit due to the COVID pandemic and,
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housing services and,

Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$4,804,750 on unhoused people and,

Whereas the Hamilton Police Service CEO has been approved for a \$10,000 raise totalling a \$308,250 salary in 2020 and,

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Whereas it is likely that the Hamilton Police Services Board will attempt to show a 20% budget reduction that is in their favour and not in the interest of demilitarization

Therefore, be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service board will defund and demilitarize the Hamilton Police.

and here is a list of their demands, which I fully back and support.

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It is not enough to stall on the basis of reviewing or re-imaging. **This work has already been done and continues to be done by Black and Indigenous people throughout Canada and the Continent.**

As governing bodies around the continent start to listen to its Black and Indigenous voices, we need to remind ourselves that these are not new words, ideas, notions, but ones that have been crying out for years. We have failed them time and time again. Work has been done and these organizations are willing to collaborate. Is the City of Hamilton willing to make that change and implement the leadership of Black and Indigenous people and their demands?

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Anna Morreale

They/Them

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Divest from Hamilton Police Campaign

From: Jessica Fisher

Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 11:43 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Nann, Nrinder; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca

Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

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Thank you,

Jessica Fisher

Subject: Defund the Police

From: Emma Battiston

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 5:48 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund the Police

Office of the City Clerk,

I am writing to advocate for the issue of Defunding the HPS to be added to the upcoming Council/Committee Agenda

I look to support Chad Collins of the police services board and Ward 5 motion to reduce HPS budget by 20%.

The police have been taking on more and more roles in our community in areas they are not experts in and do not have the appropriate training or education to respond (i.e. welfare checks).

The expense of the HPS dwarfs all other areas of city funding. Areas of mental health, food security, anti-racism, housing, addictions services and other community supports are underfunded and the community is suffering. These are the services which make meaningful and lasting positive changes to the community.

The HPS is currently looking at how to spend it's surplus of roughly \$1.4 millions dollars. This should be reinvested back into community resources and the people. Not to buy more guns, like the \$61,040 suggested for buying Carbine Colt C-8 for frontline use in the community.

When looking at reallocating these finds, it is necessary to speak and consult with the communities most effected by the police present - Black, Latinx and LGBTQ+.

Additionally, I do not support the purchasing of body cameras for the police. This is yet another way for the police to obtain further tax dollars which should be dedicated to community supports mentioned above. Body cameras do not work. We do not need more monitoring or more policing. We need less.

Emma Battiston

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Call for the Defunding of Hamilton Police Services

From: Julia Forrester

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 2:00 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Call for the Defunding of Hamilton Police Services

Dear Chair and Members of the General Issues Committee,

I am writing to you today, at the recommendation of the Office of the Mayor, in regard to the systemic racism and discrimination faced by marginalized and BIPOC folks in Hamilton.

While proposed initiatives such as having Hamilton police officers wearing body cameras while on-duty are important steps towards increasing transparency and accountability between the police and our community, body cameras have not been conclusively proven to result in a reduction of force used by officers. As such, further measures are required to ensure the safety of all Hamiltonians in our city.

That is why I am calling on you, as Chair and Members of the General Issues Committee, to take action to defund the Hamilton Police Service. By divesting funds from the Hamilton Police Services, the city could reallocate funds and other resources towards education and social services - particularly those related to mental health, domestic violence, and homelessness. This reallocation would not only shift responsibility for these issues away from police and towards those more qualified to handle them, but also consequently ensure Hamiltonians, especially marginalized ones who are often disproportionately affected by these issues, feel the safety, support, and respect they deserve. Doing so would be a crucial step towards addressing the systemic racism faced by BIPOC folks in Hamilton and preventing future injustices against them and other marginalized Hamiltonians, such as our LGBTQIA+ community members. Further, it has been found that increasing the social infrastructure of communities results in them being more resilient, which, if the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us anything, is vital to all of our survival and prosperity.

Addressing the systemic challenges faced by our fellow Hamiltonians cannot wait any longer. I urge you to take immediate action to do so, starting with voting to decrease the annual operating budget of the Hamilton Police Services. We will all be better off for it.

Sincerely,

Julia Forrester

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Review of Hamilton Police Motion

From: Fareeda Baruwa

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 1:10 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Review of Hamilton Police Motion

Good afternoon Chair and Members of General Issues Committee, and Emergency & Community Services Committee,

My name is Fareeda Baruwa, and I am a Hamilton resident of Ward 1. I'm sending this email in regards to the motion put forward by the Hamilton Police Department, which is nowhere sufficient enough to handle the issue of defunding the Police. The following is a review of the motion.

Whereas members of Hamilton City Council and members of the Police Service Board have received correspondence requesting the 'defunding of the Hamilton Police Service'; and,
Whereas the same correspondence requests the reinvestment of the proposed budget reduction into other City funded services (ie. food security, anti-racism and affordable housing); and
Whereas a budget reduction of 20% would substantially alter the current services provided by Hamilton Police Service staff;
Whereas the city of Hamilton has claimed a \$23 million dollars deficit due to the COVID pandemic and,
Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million dollars on the police budget, but only \$11 million on children's services; and,
Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$44.3 million of housing services and,
Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$171 million on the police budget but only \$4,804,750 on unhoused people and,
Whereas the Hamilton Police Service CEO has been approved for a \$10,000 raise totalling a \$308,250 salary in 2020 and,
Whereas the city of Hamilton will spend \$31,300 on a pipe band, police choir and chorus but will reduce funding for food for prisoners by 5.97% totalling \$31,500 and,
Whereas the Hamilton police will spend 78,806 on ammunition and \$61,409 on Tasers, whose sole purpose is to physically harm people while they could be spent on any social services. The city and police should not have the power or tools to physically assault residents and should not have access to these weapons or a budget for them.
Whereas the Hamilton police have 17 new full time officers that work to violently oppress those made vulnerable in Hamilton while Ontario Works lost 44 hires to provide support to those same people.
Whereas it is likely that the Hamilton Police Services Board will attempt to show a 20% budget reduction that is in their favour and not in the interest of demilitarization
Therefore, be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service board will defund and demilitarize the Hamilton Police.

Be it resolved that the Hamilton Police Service Board release a full, line by line, accounting of their dollars to the public instead of deciding where these hypothetical cuts should come from on their own.

Be it further resolved that the city of Hamilton will invest that money into services such as social housing, youth programming, sexual assault services, transit, food security, mental health response teams, and other community based alternatives to policing.

We need to do better.

Thank you and have a nice day,

Fareeda Baruwa

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Delegation to City Council re: defunding the police and Councillor Collins's motion

From: Avril McMeekin

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 10:59 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Delegation to City Council re: defunding the police and Councillor Collins's motion

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and members of Hamilton City Council,

I am writing both as a private citizen and on behalf of the community coalition HWDSB Kids Need Help, with whom I am not affiliated, to offer my perspectives first on Councillor Chad Collins's motion requesting a review by the HPS about what a 20% budget reduction would like look like, and second on the responsive motion and demands compiled by this group, which I unequivocally support.

While any reduction to the HPS budget will undoubtedly provide positive community effects, 20% seems to me an arbitrary figure, suggesting that this motion is not in good faith. Although I don't believe a 20% reduction would solve the systemic problems of policing, either locally or structurally, a commitment to work towards that reduction would show that Hamilton City Council in conjunction with the Police Services Board are committed to moving forward from the mess we are in – the mess that growing police budgets, the criminalization of poverty, the militarization of our institutions, and the unchecked power of the police have led us to.

But rather than use the city's time and resources to swiftly address the crisis of justice we are in, Councillor Collins's motion does not address the demands of the community but instead only distracts from them, not just wasting time and resources but funneling them directly to the very institution we demand you meaningfully divest from. I am not interested in the Hamilton Police Services Board's input on how money should be divested and reallocated; I want my community to determine where this money should go.

During the Police Services Board of June 11, Mr. Collins spoke condescendingly of the demands that more than 3,000 community members have already signed on to (a number that will continue to grow), suggesting that defunding the police was a radical, fringe belief that his Ward 5 constituents were wholly uninterested in. Frankly, I find this difficult to believe. I have been doing the work of having conversations around defunding the police with people from all walks of life, from my parents to old high school friends to friends of friends on Facebook, and it's been my experience that after thirty seconds of explaining what this could look like, people are immediately on board.

I think you will find, Mayor Eisenberger, that as the Hamilton community continues to coalesce around the global movement for racial justice and progresses in its organizing at the local level (I'm excited to see this happening all around me as we speak!), that more and more people will speak out about the need to defund the police and finally wrest back control of our community from an overmilitarized municipal police force that has a long record of police brutality and human rights complaints. In my view, Mr. Collins's assertion that his constituents demand *more* policing is unfounded, and I encourage you and the rest of council to not waste any more time with meaningless studies and delays, particularly in light of the the events of Pride 2019 and subsequently HPS's internal Pride report, which have already deeply eroded trust with Hamilton's marginalized communities with

respect to the police (to assume that this trust ever existed is generous, but certainly things have taken a steep downturn recently). I encourage you, rather, to have the courage to act swiftly and decisively in response to the unprecedented and global movement against police brutality and for racial justice, and to immediately work towards defunding the police.

At this point I would like to reiterate the demands compiled by the community, which are as follows:

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Mr. Mayor, I am sure I am not the only person who watched the Police Services Board meeting for the first time ever today, and although I found Councillor Collins's tone dismissive and downright mocking at times, I want to thank him for inspiring myself and others to get more educated on the (unfortunately structurally opaque) police budget in Hamilton and do whatever we can to defund the police and take back the power that has so long resided with a brutal and corrupt regime at the expense of our city's most vulnerable communities.

Sincerely,

Avril McMeekin

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police

From: breanna riederer

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 1:42 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; Andrea Horwath, MPP; FILOMENA.TASSI@PARL.GC.CA; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund the Police

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the hamilton police

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Subject: Defund the hamilton police

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Subject: Defund the Police

From: Hamsmart Information

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 12:10 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; VanderBeek, Arlene; terry-whitehead@hamilton.ca; Partridge, Judi; Danko, John-Paul

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca; HWDSB kids

Subject: Re: Defund the Police

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

We are writing to follow up on our email of last week. While we were initially heartened to see the request for a consideration of what defunding the budget by 20% would look like, it is only useful if the intent is to actually follow through on that work and also consider what else the funding can achieve if it is redirected to community services. We want to clarify that there is no need for another review of the Hamilton Police Services, especially one that is police-led. Communities, and specifically Black leaders, have already told us what they need. We fully support the call to defund the police and reinvest in other city-funded services like affordable housing, anti-racism work, and food security work.

Thank you for considering our input,
Sincerely, HAMSMaRT

On Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 5:21 PM Hamsmart Information <info@hamsmart.ca> wrote:

Dear Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council,

We are writing from HAMSMaRT, the Hamilton Social Medicine Response Team. In our work, we see how anti-Black racism and anti-Indigenous racism cause harm to Black and Indigenous people and communities and are directly responsible for inequitable health outcomes. We see police ticket homeless people, a group that includes Black and Indigenous people, even though this is not an effective public health strategy or community building strategy. We see how chronic underinvestment in health and social services hurts communities and drives poor health in the patients we serve. And we see how police officers responding to mental health crises can result in people dying, like Quinn MacDougall in 2018.

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HAMSMaRT

Pilon, Janet

Subject: FW: I Support the Call to Defund the Police

From: Jelena S

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 12:03 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: I Support the Call to Defund the Police

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I am not comfortable continuing to fund racist policing in my community at the expense of essential services like housing, firefighting, transit, libraries, and community health centres.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

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3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investments into policing.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

- In excessive force cases withhold pensions and do not rehire cops involved
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
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Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents in our city by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,
Scarlett Gillespie

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

From: **Marin Hudson**

Date: Thu, Jun 11, 2020 at 12:58 PM

Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

To: <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>

Good afternoon Nrinder,

I hope you and your family are doing well, and that you're taking the time to care for yourself during this particularly trying time. I am inspired by your voice, and your action. I feel so grateful to live in Ward 3 and have you as my councillor. Truly — thank you. Thank you for standing up for what is right, for supporting *everyone* in our city, and representing our ward with intention.

I am emailing today to express my support for defunding the Hamilton police. I feel strongly that our funds are better spent supporting the vulnerable people throughout our city, and an ever-increasing police budget at the expense of our most vulnerable is completely unacceptable. I would like to see a review of the police budget to reduce its funding, reallocating those dollars to action on food security, affordable housing, mental health services, and education. I would like to see greater support for Black people, Indigenous people, and POC. I would like to see greater support for our city's homeless, and those who go hungry.

Thank you for all that you do to make our city better, and to amplify the voices of those who need to be heard. I am so lucky to live in Ward 3.

Take care,

Marin

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Calling Hamilton To Action

From: Michael Kiriakou

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 3:49 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Calling Hamilton To Action

Dear Chair and Members of Emergency & Community Services Committee,

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the **Hamilton Police Services 2020 budget of \$172 million from the total \$924 million operational budget for the City of Hamilton.** This is roughly a 4% increase from the 2019 Police Services Budget. The Hamilton Police (on the City approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers. Comparatively, only \$158 million will be spent on social services, including transit and healthy/safe communities.

Systemic racism in Canada is more prevalent than our Canadian MPs may be willing to admit. It takes on many forms such as but not limited to the availability of social resources, hiring practices, and of course racial profiling. The movement to defund police is rooted in the potential for a better system. A reallocation of funds to better serve Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton. May we lead the way to a better community where all members are supported equitably.

I am asking that you, as council members, pledge to do the following:

1. To **never again** vote to increase the Hamilton Police Services budget
2. Ensure the Hamilton Police Services uphold their promise to “take action to eliminate racism” (Hamilton Chief of Police, Eric Girt, 2020). By proposing and implementing a Hamilton Police Service budget cut and to invest that cut into services which better serve our community (see 3.)
3. To prioritize the expansion of **community-led health and safety initiatives** over future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Services

In order to do this, I call on you and other elected officials to reduce funding in these ways:

- Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force, stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls, or allow policing in schools

An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in the

police, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, social workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Hamilton.** We should look to and learn from organizations like [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#), [Black Legal Action Centre](#), [PASAN](#), [Toronto Prisoners' Rights Project](#), [Maggie's](#), [Showing Up for Racial Justice](#), and so many more.

Our city as a whole can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Michael

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defunding / Reallocate Police funds

From: Doreen Stermann

Date: 2020-06-12 6:28 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: Fred.Eisenberger@hamilton.ca, "Wilson, Maureen" <Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca>, "Farr, Jason" <Jason.farr@hamilton.ca>, Brenda Johnson <Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca>, "Partridge, Judi" <Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca>, "Collins, Chad" <Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca>, Sam Merulla <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>, nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca, Tom Jackson <Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca>, "Clark, Brad" <brad.clark@hamilton.ca>, "Whitehead, Terry" <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>, "esther pauls@hamilton.ca" <esther.pauls@hamilton.ca>, John-Paul Danko <john-paul.danko@hamilton.ca>, "Ferguson, Lloyd" <Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca>, "Pearson, Maria" <Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca>, Arlene VanderBeek <Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca>
Subject: Defunding / Reallocate Police funds

Dear Hamilton Councillors,

Defunding police services means the public wants THEIR tax dollars reallocated to social service agencies that are better equipped to handle non criminal acts.

The decades of defunding of education, mental health services, public health services, affordable housing has had a direct and indirect impact on the increase in crime.

Society is begging governments to change their practices with regards to what police services should respond to.

Hamiltonians want that change too. We are not unique. We need more investment in strengthening our communities, our neighbourhoods.

Please look to Camden New Jersey a city that had one of the highest crime rates in the U.S. They implemented defunding and introduced a more community based policing model. Crime rates dropped.

Look to CAHOOTS (Crisis Assistance Out On The Streets), Eugene, Oregon) for what they are doing in creating community/police partnerships.

<https://whitebirdclinic.org/services/cahoots/>

This is a 4minute audio on the CAHOOTS program

<https://www.npr.org/2020/06/10/874339977/cahoots-how-social-workers-and-police-share-responsibilities-in-eugene-oregon>

Talk to them on pointers on how it was implemented.

Asking our HPS how a 20% funding reduction would impact them is like asking a child is it okay if I take away some of your candy or toys. You know the answer. Please don't insult the taxpayers.

Work with our social service agencies and ask them what an influx of \$34 M would mean to helping our community. How would they be able to respond to calls that police don't need to attend. Free up the HPS to deal with violent crimes.

As Bob Dylan wrote in 1964 . 1964!!

"The Times They Are A Changin'...

"...come Senators , Congressmen please heed the call. Don't stand in the doorway don't block up the hall...
...the battle outside is ragin. Will soon shake your windows and rattle your walls...your old road is rapidly agin'.
Please get out of the new one if you can't lend a hand. For the times they are changin."

Folks if you haven't noticed those walls have been rattling and the battle outside IS ragin.

PLEASE heed the call...

The time is now to make a better safer community for ALL!

Doreen Stermann

Ward 1

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Police concerns

From: Debbie Davies

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 6:45 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Police concerns

As suggested by the mayor's office, I am forwarding you an email that I sent to his office and to 2 councillors, Tom Jackson and Nringer Nann. . I have also sent a copy to the police services board.

As a senior who has lived in Hamilton all my life, I am very concerned about the size of the police budget and the militarization of their equipment and their behaviour towards many people in the community. I addressed my concerns in the email below.

I am writing to all of you because I have a concern about Hamilton police, and a variety of perspective is important. .

I am 63 years old and have lived in this city my whole life. I grew up with no police in the schools I attended, and my son, who is now 30, attended schools that had no police on site.

I have been listening for years and reading about the experiences of non whites with police right here in Hamilton, and in the rest of the province and the country.

I attended an event at Central Library not that long ago held by high school students in Hamilton who feel surveilled and intimidated by police in their schools. These students are non white. . They were saying that schools with a nonwhite majority are being monitored while schools with a majority of white students do not have police on site. This is not a good base for education. This needs to be known by Hamiltonians, and we need to know who makes the decision to patrol these schools, and why. And the police need to leave.

I am also concerned about the events at Pride last year and I am waiting for the report about that which is late in coming. I wanted to go to Pride but that would not have been a pleasant experience last year, under the circumstances.

When an oppositional group arrived to cause problems at Pride, police who were in the area did not intervene. I worry about vulnerable people who attend that event. and the possibility of harm they could face. I want those at the event to be protected, without the police being miffed that they were refused a recruitment booth. And with Police Chief Eric Girt's view of gays, it's no wonder they don't want police around.

I am also concerned that a yellow vester drove his vehicle right at peaceful protesters in front of city hall, and was not charged. What kind of enforcement is that? Is that what we pay millions of dollars for? To let someone threaten families? This is bizarre and dangerous and unacceptable.

I am concerned about the homeless being ticketed for not social distancing. How can these people expect to pay tickets? What they need is a home, and social services. I want my city to provide them a home, not harassment.

I am also very concerned about the lack of diversity on the police board. Many members have had to leave over issues. Why do we not have diversity? This is a huge issue. How can you represent the population of Hamilton this way?

I am very concerned about the size of the police budget. Six HUNDRED MILLION dollars in total? The budget needs to be whittled down, and fast, and delegate some jobs to other social services, especially mental health issues, as well as others. As a taxpayer, this amount just can't be justified. We are police poor. It's a leaking sieve.

Changes need to be made in policing this city. and most other cities. Let a diverse crowd pull up their sleeves and do some work.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: current issues

From: Jessie Clayton

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 7:26 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: current issues

To whom it may concern,

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Sincerely,
Jessie Clayton

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Hamilton police

From: Gary Capon

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 7:38 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: gary Capon

Subject: Hamilton police

As a Hamilton home owner, I am writing to you to express concern that during COVID-19, police budgets should NOT be prioritized over firefighters, paramedics, libraries, transit, parks or public housing.

I am asking that The Police Services Board prioritize the expansion of **community-led health and safety initiatives** over future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Service.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, we need to commit ourselves to change, rather than excessive police service budgets.

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I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton and set an example for other cities, by divesting from policing and investing in services. The Hamilton police budget should be defunded by at least 10% as has been proposed in Toronto. We don't need studies, we need change! The Hamilton police were already taking 17% of property taxes in 2019, if we do not act quickly this problem could continue to escalate and Hamilton could find itself in the same situation as Toronto where 24% of property taxes go to the Toronto police at the expense of community services.

Given visible minorities constitute almost 20% of the population of Hamilton, **THERE SHOULD BE AT LEAST ONE VISIBLE MINORITY ON THE POLICE BOARD.**

Furthermore, we just received our property tax bill with an approximately 5% increase over 2019, people are struggling with reduced income as a result of COVID-19. The 4% Police Budget increase for 2020 should be immediately defunded, property taxes should be reduced and/or the money allocated to essential community services.

Sincerely

Gary Capon

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Hamilton Demands

From: Christine Hudspeth

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 7:46 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor

Subject: Hamilton Demands

Dear Fred Eisenberger,

My name is Christine Hudspeth and I live in Hamilton, Ontario in Ward 2. I am a proud member of the Hamilton Community, and particularly passionate about supporting Hamilton Youth. Last week, Black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

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- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit, which has a provincial mandate, needs to be 100% composed of people living in the city with which the investigation is being conducted.
- We demand that the Special Investigations Unit needs to be composed completely of Black, racialized and Indigenous peoples with no current or former ties to the policing sector.
- The SIU must begin collecting and publicly releasing race-based statistics on all fatalistic encounters between police officers and civilians. No more inquiries-- direct action needs to be taken as a result of the investigation into anti-Black racism that occurred in the 90's and again in 2014 with the establishment and subsequent defunding of the Anti-Racism Directorate.
- In light of COVID-19, We demand that all prisoners being held and who are awaiting trial at the Barton Jail facility be released immediately, and that the outrageous costs of ankle monitors and other means of surveilling those who are released be waived.

An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Toronto.** We should look to and learn from organizations like [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#), [Black Legal Action Centre](#), [Toronto Police Accountability Coalition](#), [PASAN](#), [Showing Up for Racial Justice](#), [Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion](#), and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Christine Hudspeth

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Police abolition-- What are you doing?

From: Jiya C

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 7:54 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Police abolition-- What are you doing?

Dear Jason Farr,

I am writing to you today to express my outrage regarding the ways in which Hamilton Police Services has been allowed to operate over the years and continues to terrorize our black and brown communities. As a citizen of your ward, I trust that you will read the full extent of this email. I am outraged at the allocation of **\$171 million to the Hamilton Police Service budget, in comparison to a mere \$158 million to social services** for the City of Hamilton. This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics, libraries and public housing combined. I stand with Hamilton's Black community in demands to **start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Service immediately.**

I support the full demands of Hamilton's Black community, which you can find [here](#).

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training [doesn't work](#). What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, **towards the abolition of police and prisons**. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to **begin defunding police with the ultimate goal of abolishing, in these ways:**

- Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.

An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems.

I trust that as a councillor in my city, you will hear what I and my communities are demanding and ensure our voices are represented at City Council. This is what we elected you for, and we are closely watching your actions to ensure that these demands are not only recognized, but acted upon. I also trust that you will pledge to act as quickly on the anti-black racism pandemic as the city has acted in its response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. If I do not hear back from you in 3-4 business days, I will follow up.

Jiya Chaudhary , Hamilton Ontario

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Urgent

From: Valeria Kuri

Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 8:21 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten; Office of the Mayor

Subject: Urgent

Hello Mayor Eisenberger,

Following up on my last email, I wanted to draw special attention to the fact that on June 2, you had expressed concerns regarding the \$2.2 billion in infrastructure money from the Federal government to help cover the coronavirus-caused budget shortfalls. I want to ask whether you had considered the unconscionable amount of money and resources that are poured into the Hamilton Police Services, an institution that has historically proven to be systemically racist and which disproportionately monitors, attacks, and harms Black, Indigenous, Queer, and racialized folks in the Hamilton community? You have publicly

supported this institution without hesitation, yet claim to be out of ideas when it comes to locating funds to protect residents impacted by COVID--who by the way, are disproportionately racialized and live in poverty, and are probably the same residents being terrorized by police on a daily basis?

I look forward to continuing to persist as you make true on your promise to protect and represent your residents and listening to their concerns. I trust you also know that deliberation, consultation, reviews, and trainings have gone nowhere, and that you intend to create actual change.

I am calling today to express that I absolutely do not support the Hamilton Police Service's budget of \$171 million for 2020. **An increased police presence does not keep us safe.** It does not keep Hamilton's black and brown communities safe, instead it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities.

As public representatives, it is your duty to listen to the people you represent rather than prioritizing the demands of an institution that has been academically and legally studied to be absolutely, 100% systemically racist and disproportionality oppresses racialized members of your city (if you would like more evidence of systemic racism in the legal system, I would love to send legal papers and other academic papers regarding the issue of over-policing and police brutality against racialized communities, for example, pieces written by my Professor and recognized legal scholar, David Tanovich).

I am writing to you today to express my outrage regarding the allocation of **\$171 million to the Hamilton Police Service budget, in comparison to a mere \$158 million to social services** for the City of Hamilton. This astronomical police budget costs the taxpayer more than firefighters, paramedics, libraries and public housing combined. I stand with Hamilton's Black community in demands to **start divesting from the systematically violent Hamilton Police Service immediately.**

I support the full demands of Hamilton's Black community, which can you find [here](#).

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need in Hamilton is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, **towards the abolition of police and prisons**. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to **reduce funding in these ways**:

- Withhold pensions and don't rehire cops involved in excessive force cases
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force, and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health-related calls.

An increased police presence does not keep us safe, rather it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. **These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in Toronto**. We should look to and learn from organizations like [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#), [Black Legal Action Centre](#), [PASAN](#), [Showing Up for Racial Justice](#), [Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion](#), and so many more.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents of Hamilton by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

The 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services. This is outrageous and unacceptable treatment of our valued Black youth. What we need in Hamilton is to prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives rather than future financial investment into the Hamilton Police Services. I call on you, as an elected official, to recognize the demands of Hamilton's black community, and to never again vote to increase the Hamilton Police Services budget.

I trust that as a councillor in my city, you will hear what I and my communities are demanding and ensure our voices are represented.

I will be closely watching the actions of city and provincial officials in the future and continuing to advocate for police divestment.

Thank you.

Regards,
Valeria Kuri
Ward 5 Resident

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Anti-Racist Hamilton - Defund the Police

From: **Sarah Van Berkel**

Date: Mon, 8 Jun 2020 at 20:37

Subject: Anti-Racist Hamilton - Defund the Police

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Cc: <ward3@hamilton.ca>

Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

I have recently moved back to Hamilton after 13 years living in Quebec and BC and want to be proud to call Hamilton my home for the foreseeable future. A lot of the conversations this past week have been around the police, but I am also interested in hearing your office's plan to become anti-racist in all areas and be a leader for other Canadian cities.

Regarding the Hamilton Police, I am concerned our chief Mr. Girt does not understand race issues enough for his post. His dismissal of the need for race based data in January stating 'race is an artificial social construct' without acknowledging the implications this social construct has on peoples lived experiences is disconcerting. He recently commented on the murder of George Floyd saying the Hamilton Police will continue the conversation to eliminate racism, what concrete actions has he taken to continue this conversation? Several concerned parties have stated this conversation has not taken place.

Finally, the 2020 budget. I was shocked to learn that over \$170 million, or what equates to 27.7% of the projected operational 2020 budget, has been marked for Police Services. In light of the nation-wide Black Lives Matter protests, including the June 1st protest in Gore Park, and knowing that the Hamilton police force has been linked to systemic racist practices, I am urging you to reconsider the allocation of the 2020 operational budget and tax supported final capital budget.

In reconsidering the allocation of the city of Hamilton's budget, I urge you to consider the statement made by Black Lives Matter activists in Hamilton, who urged the city to defund Hamilton Police Service and to stop ticketing and surveilling people who are homeless. Rather, these funds should be diverted into initiatives such as food security, affordable housing, and anti-racism initiatives, including an independent Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre (HARRC).

Funding to the Hamilton Police Services can be reduced in the following ways:

1. Cancel the scheduled 3.8% increase, and all future increases, to the Hamilton Police Service's budget.
2. Propose and implement a minimum of a 10% budget cut to the 2020 operational budget.
3. Withhold pensions from and don't rehire police officers involved in excessive force cases.
4. Require police officers to be liable for misconduct settlements.
5. Reduce the size of the police force.

With a poverty rate of 15% for all residents and 20.5% for children, Hamilton needs to reassess its priorities. We do not need more policing, more surveillance, and more police brutality. We need affordable housing in a city where 20% of renters spend more than half their income on rent. We need access to affordable and healthy food in a city where more than 13,000 people, of which 40% were children, used the food bank last year. We need funded anti-racist education and advocacy in a city that was ranked number one for police-reported hate crimes.

I know that you and the city's councilors have met to discuss the city's economic recovery on June 4th. As a concerned citizen, I am calling on you to prioritize the financial wellbeing and recovery of Hamilton residents by investing in services that Hamilton residents need rather than further disenfranchise many residents by funding the Hamilton Police Services.

Sincerely,

Sarah Van Berkel

Pilon, Janet

Subject: A letter from a McMaster alumnus

From: **Daniel Thompson-Blum**

Date: Thu., Jun. 11, 2020, 18:19

Subject: A letter from a McMaster alumnus

To: <maureen.wilson@hamilton.ca>, <jason.farr@hamilton.ca>, <chad.collins@hamilton.ca>, <brad.clark@hamilton.ca>, <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>, Merulla, Sam <sam.merulla@hamilton.ca>, <john-paul.danko@hamilton.ca>, <esther.pauls@hamilton.ca>, <tom.jackson@hamilton.ca>, <maria.pearson@hamilton.ca>, <brenda.johnson@hamilton.ca>, <lloyd.ferguson@hamilton.ca>, <arlene.vanderbeek@hamilton.ca>, <terry.whitehead@hamilton.ca>, <judi.partridge@hamilton.ca>, <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Mayor and councillors,

I am writing as a McMaster alumnus and ex-resident of Hamilton. Frankly, I find the response to the Black Lives Matter movement abhorrent. To call abolition “nonsensical” is to discredit decades of Black feminist thought. From their work, we know what a world without policing would look like and it is unacceptable that Councillor Collins refuse to “get into that debate”.

We are aware of the implications of defunding police. We are aware of the myriad benefits that await when the policing budget is reallocated to housing, social services, education, and health care. Put simply, when communities are supported, there is no *need* for a police presence. Councillor Jackson, I respectfully acknowledge the concerns of your ward’s residents, but investing in your community is the solution, not further policing and surveillance.

Mayor, I was particularly appalled by your belief that systemic racism can be addressed without defunding police services. Additionally, claiming you have a Black friend does not excuse your racism in the slightest.

The fact that Hamilton is not only refusing to consider defunding HPS but is actively allocating resources to them is unacceptable. The appointment of a “liason” is wholly inadequate and will not mend the rift between police and community members. This simply isn’t possible without defunding and disarming HPS. These actions spit in the face of the Black, Indigenous, racialized, Two Spirit and LGBTQ+ communities in Hamilton. As previously stated by Hamilton Queers Against Hate this “will not change the persistent negative experiences of Hamilton’s Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ communities have had when seeking assistance from Hamilton Police Service. These issues have existed over several decades and are still occurring.”

Another task force or report will not be enough to regain trust.

Again, the unmet demands are:

City Hall

1. Defund the Hamilton police.
2. Invest tax dollars that would have gone to policy towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing & other social services.
3. Ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.

HPS

4. Release accounting data on taxes used to surveil and police Black, Indigenous and racialized communities.
5. Halt HPS purchases of weapons, high tech surveillance equipment and cease surveilling communities.
6. Cease ticketing and surveilling of houseless and disabled people.
7. Stop targeting activists and communities pushing back against white supremacists.

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8. Remove police SRO's from schools and fund public review of police violence that occurred in schools.
9. The school board *must* refrain from calling the police on children.
10. Collect and release data documenting disciplinary action against students by race and gender.
11. Implement a community run alternative to disciplinary action based on the principles of restorative justice.

Your inaction on the issues that matter to me is one of the reasons I left Hamilton and I expect I will not return. This is why your city has a difficult time retaining students after graduation.

Sincerely,

Daniel Thompson-Blum

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Letter to the Emergency and Community Services Committee

From: Alice Smith

Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:15 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Letter to the Emergency and Community Services Committee

To the Chair and Members of the Emergency and Community Services Committee,

I am writing to you today to call on you to take meaningful action in response to the senseless murders of Black and Indigenous people.

The police in our communities prove time and time again that they are unprepared and unwilling to protect or serve our communities.

I am not comfortable continuing to fund racist policing in my community at the expense of essential services like housing, firefighting, transit, libraries, and community health centres.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To never again vote to increase the police services budget;
2. To propose and implement a cut to the police services budget to support our community's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investments into policing.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

- In excessive force cases withhold pensions and do not rehire cops involved
- Require cops to be liable for misconduct settlements
- Reduce the size of the police force and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health and poverty-related calls,

An increased police presence, which includes transit inspectors and enforcement officers, does not keep us safe. Rather, it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security, harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, community workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in our city.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of

colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents in our city by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,

Alice Smith

Subject: Action

From: Hali Tsui

Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 12:02 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Action

Hello,

I am writing to see what concrete actions you are taking to address racism in the many institutions in our city. You are in a position of power and words are not enough. We just looked at the allotment of funds in our property tax. Policing has a very large percentage of our tax. I am sure you are aware of the defund police protests. There needs to be more funds directed towards mental health, community services for the marginalized, community policing instead of use-of-force training. Body cameras are a good idea too. What are you committed to doing?

We have all heard enough meaningless words, we need action from our elected representatives. We need you to step up and make some bold changes in the right direction. Enough is enough.

Sincerely,
Hali Tsui

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Black Lives Matter

From: Nasreen Khan

Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 12:29 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Black Lives Matter

Dear **Chair and Members of the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee,**

RE: Black Lives Matter

My name is Nasreen Khan and I am a constituent of Ward 13. I have written to the Mayor Eisenberger as well as my city councillor, Arlene VanderBeek but I additionally wanted to connect with you, the Audit, Finance, and Administration Committee.

Every day each of us make decisions. These decisions we make on how we behave and react, on funding one program over another, on how budget will be allocated, have long-lasting impacts on communities. I am contacting you to know, what decisions will the committee be making administratively and financially to protect Black lives and prevent instances of police brutality on individuals from marginalized communities?

I am asking you to recognize that the City of Hamilton, its policies, its practices in hiring, its administration is flawed. The City of Hamilton allows for and propagates racism with its lack of training for its workers, its lack of racial representation in its workforce, in its funding decision-making. Your administration funds police services at a rate of 1.4% higher than education as noted in Hamilton's Guide to Your 2020 Final Property Tax Bill attached. This indicates to me that this administration prioritizes policing of our communities over educating our communities. This needs to change.

I am calling on you to:

- 1) Redirect funding from police to education, to social services, to Black organizations and to programs like the Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team.
- 2) Re-focus funding for police training to de-escalation practices.
- 3) Bolster training for city employees on anti-oppressive practices and eradicating anti-black racism.
- 4) Remove police from our schools.

We all need to recognize that our current systems hold racist practices, perspectives and policies. This includes the police. It includes you and me.

Without action, our words mean nothing. We will continue to see unnecessary deaths in Hamilton's marginalized communities like Yosi Al-Hasnawi, Phonesay Chanthachak, and Quinn MacDougall. We will continue to see people of marginalized communities face barriers in their everyday lives whether it is suffering from depression at higher rates, being overlooked for a job, being bullied at school, etc.

I'm asking you to take action to improve the lives and wellbeing of Black Hamiltonians. I'm asking you to see the value of keeping Black Hamiltonians and other marginalized peoples safe.

Yours sincerely,

Nasreen Khan

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Urgent! Add to upcoming council and committee agenda

From: Jessica DeSantis

Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 1:10 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Urgent! Add to upcoming council and committee agenda

Chair and Member of the Office of City Clerk,

I hope this email finds you well during these troubled times.

I, like many others have watched, in horror the protests going on in American regarding BLM. I have watched peaceful protestors using their voice to speak for the need of reform get treated with the utmost immorality by the very people who are meant to serve and protect us. I am also concerned about the fact that systemic racism is an issue in our country, in our province and in this city.

It has long been known that black people have experienced death disproportionately during or following police contact, especially in police custody and detention. Black people have knowingly been punished further than white people when committing the same crime. Looking at these facts has me wondering why we have not yet taken the right steps to protect the black community... our people.

I am wondering if you are using your voice, the voice of ALL people to speak out on this urgent matter.

I have 4 things I ask of you:

1. Please write to Justin Trudeau asking him to denounce Trump's militarization of the protests in the USA.
2. Please work with Halton Police to make assurance that all protestors will not be met with excessive force during protests.
3. **Call on our government and look at the budget within Hamilton to support the reallocation of funds from the police into local support programs. ****
4. Use your platform to advocate for real change within the federal government to remove systemic bias and racism.

As a teacher of HWDSB, I see systemic racism played out everyday in the school system. A place where we are meant to mold our future and the future of our students. I have watched the defunding occur and ask that you also strongly reconsider how systemic racism is played out within our education system and how you will be investing in the future of our children.

Additionally, please personally commit to proactively increasing your understanding of these issues and take a stand against structural racism whenever you encounter it.

I know that standing up in a white dominated parliament is not an easy task, and that you will be subject to backlash. I want to acknowledge and honour your courage and stand by you.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Best Wishes

Jessica DeSantis

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police

From: Sarah Johnston

Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 1:40 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Defund the Police

Hello City Clerk,

I am writing to you today to call on you to take meaningful action in response to the senseless murders of Black and Indigenous people.

The police in our communities prove time and time again that they are unprepared and unwilling to protect or serve our communities. In the cases of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, Jason Collins, D'Andre Campbell, Orlando Brown, Andrew Loku, Jermaine Carby, Kwasi Skene-Peters, Marc Ekamba-Boekwa, Sammy Yatim, Ian Pryce, Alain Magloire, Nicholas Thorne-Belance, Phuong Na (Tony) Du, René Gallant, Abdurahman Ibrahim Hassan, Bony Jean-Pierre, Abdirahman Abdi, Pierre Coriolan, Brydon Whitstone, Josephine Pelletier, Nicholas Gibbs, Jaskamal Singh Lail, Chad Williams, Greg Ritchie, Machuar Madut, Sean Thompson, Randy Cochrane, Eishia Husdon, and so many more people, interaction with the police leads to death.

I am not comfortable continuing to fund racist policing in my community at the expense of essential services like housing, firefighting, transit, libraries, and community health centres.

I am asking that you, as an elected official, pledge to do the following:

1. To never again vote to increase the police services budget;
2. To propose and implement a cut to the police services budget to support our community's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. To prioritize the expansion of community-led health and safety initiatives over future financial investments into policing.

In the face of cyclical police violence happening throughout North America right now, there is no better time to commit ourselves to change. We have seen that investing in body cameras, civilian reviews or de-escalation and implicit bias training doesn't work. What we need is leadership that can initiate a reduction in the immense police violence that targets our most marginalized people, toward the eventual abolition of police and prisons. In order to do this, I call on you and the City Council to reduce funding in these ways:

- In excessive force cases withhold pensions and do not rehire cops involved
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- Reduce the size of the police force and stop sending armed/uniformed cops on mental health and poverty-related calls,

An increased police presence, which includes transit inspectors and enforcement officers, does not keep us safe. Rather, it directly threatens the lives of our most vulnerable communities (BIPOC, the LGBTQ2S+ community, unhoused people, street-based sex workers, people with disabilities, people experiencing poverty, etc). Instead of investing in policing, our city must prioritize alternatives like education, increased mental health services, housing initiatives, income security,

harm reduction services, accessible rehabilitation, mutual aid, community workers, conflict resolution services, transformative justice, and other vital community-based support systems. These initiatives must support our most vulnerable communities and centre the experiences of Black, Indigenous, and people of colour in our city.

Our city can lead the way in defining public safety through community, not cops, where Black, Indigenous and people of colour are free from police oppression. I am asking you to create a better future for all residents in our city by divesting from harmful policing and investing in life-affirming services.

Sincerely,
Sarah Johnston

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police

From: Cassandra Hamill

Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 5:02 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Stevenson, Kirsten

Subject: Defund the Police

Hello,

I was forwarded by the Mayor's office to send my correspondence with them to you.

I am a 21 year old Mohawk College student, and constituent of Hamilton; born, and raised. I am wondering why the police have a secret budget \$171,000,000 when our entire urban core is filled with homelessness. I am asking for the defunding of the Hamilton Police Department as militarization is not the key to a healthy society. When the only time Hamilton is brought up in my social science textbooks is about police brutality, poverty, or crime there is a clear issue.

Regards, Cassy

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Please divest from Hamilton Police

From: Scott and Grace

Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 10:48 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; smehdi2796@hwdsb.on.ca; cprosic8502@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; cravero@hwdsb.on.ca; mbaines@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; Kkaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; Matthew.Green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca
Cc: hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Please divest from Hamilton Police

Hi there,

Our names are Grace Evans and Scott Dobbin and we live in Hamilton Ontario in Ward 2. Last week, black organizers released the following demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States:

A 2018 carding consultation in Hamilton highlighted that Black youth in Hamilton are being carded at their schools, in the streets, and being kicked out of Hamilton libraries without just cause by Hamilton police and security services.

Even during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, police have continued to unjustly target people for existing in the streets. Police have issued expensive fines (upwards of \$800) to houseless people, many of whom cannot afford to pay them off. These tickets have been issued under the guise of enforcing social distancing, but have only served to further entrench people in poverty and target those who cannot access housing.

The violent act of state and municipal oppression must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

The Hamilton Police (on a city approved budget) will spend \$78,806 on ammunition, \$95,000 on surveillance and \$61,409 on tasers in 2020 but only \$28,000 on food for prisoners.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is

unacceptable.

Demands:

- We call on the city of Hamilton to defund the Hamilton police.
- We call on the city of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the police towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing.
- We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services halt all purchases with tax dollars of weapons (guns, rifles, etc).
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services cease the ticketing and surveilling of homeless and disabled people in Hamilton, and that there be a moratorium on the hiring of police constables in Hamilton given the documented over-surveilling of homeless people during the pandemic.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop surveilling communities, and that they halt the expenditure of tax dollars on high tech surveillance equipment.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services stop targeting and criminalizing activists and communities pushing back against Yellow Vesters and other forms of white supremacy.
- We call on McMaster University (President & Board of Governors) to immediately terminate Glenn De Caire's contract. De Caire was forced to resign from Hamilton police after he was caught saying incredibly racist things to other police officers. De Caire also has a history of violent policing that targets houseless people as well as Black people.
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Thank you,

Grace Evans and Scott Dobbin
North end neighbourhood
Ward 2, Hamilton

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund the Police and Reallocation of Taxes

From: Elizabeth Seidl

Sent: June 22, 2020 7:21 AM

To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>; Merulla, Sam <Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca>; Paparella, Stephanie <Stephanie.Paparella@hamilton.ca>; Ariyo, John <john.ariyo@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Defund the Police and Reallocation of Taxes

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger, Councillor Sam Merulla, General Issues Committee, and Committee Against Racism,

I am a Hamilton resident living in Ward 4 and I'm very concerned about anti-Black racism and violence, especially at the hands of police. No doubt, you will thank me for sharing my thoughts and place this letter in the pile with the others. To my continued disappointment, it has become increasingly clear that several with a leadership role in this city are not taking calls for a reduction in the police budget seriously.

Greater transparency and communication is necessary after the losses of Regis Korchinski-Paquet in Toronto and D'Andre Campbell in Brampton, who were both experiencing severe emotional distress and died instead of receiving medical help. These are only the most recent examples of Black people dying in encounters with police, something that has been happening in the GTHA for decades. The police have a long history of race-based violence. For example, data reveals that Toronto's Black residents are 20x times more likely to be killed by police officers than white residents, and that 70% of individuals who die in encounters with police struggle with mental health issues, substance abuse or both.

In Hamilton, we regularly have members of violent and explicitly racist white supremacist groups congregating outside of city hall. Racism in ALL Canadian cities is prevalent and real and I am concerned and disheartened that my tax dollars are being used to fund a service that continues to victimize members of Black and other marginalized communities. It is upsetting to see that the police budget continues to be rubber-stamped, without examination and debate, year after year, unlike for example, libraries and housing. I'm frustrated that leadership fails to see how hypocritical this is to citizens and taxpayers.

I believe the police force of Hamilton is overfunded and contrary to their mission, causing more fear, violence and harm to our communities. We urgently need to implement strategies that lead to better outcomes before any more Black, Indigenous, and people of colour are harmed in a police encounter. I would like to see the Hamilton Police Services legitimately held accountable in tangible ways, with the police budget significantly reduced and those tax dollars **reallocated** into social services, health care, mental health programs, jobs and affordable housing. Strengthening municipal social supports will reduce crime by addressing issues that lead to it at their source. Also, there may be lessons to be found by looking at Camden, New Jersey who in 2013 dissolved their local police department and pivoted to a model of community policing which has been followed by a steep drop in crime.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-06-04/how-camden-new-jersey-reformed-its-police-department>. For further education on this topic that includes both historical analysis of the harms of policing on marginalized and oppressed communities and an exploration of harm-reduction strategies used elsewhere in the world, please read *The End of Policing*, by Alex S. Vitale.

I would like to see the all Police Services immediately implement a harm reduction strategy, with a transparent and public training plan for all police officers and personnel. Though I am not convinced that body cameras are the solution to the systemic problems in policing, I do support their use in the interim to improve accountability, until greater change is made. Specifically, I would like to see HPS's adoption of the 84 recommendations in the 2014 report by Frank Iacobucci, aimed at reducing fatal encounters with people in emotional distress.

Thank you for your consideration, Elizabeth Seidl

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Defund police, invest in community

From: Lisa Nussey

Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2020 7:31 PM

To: Office of the Mayor; Wilson, Maureen; Farr, Jason; Nann, Nrinder; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Pauls, Esther; Danko, John-Paul; Ward 8 Office; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Whitehead, Terry; Partridge, Judi; jcravero@hwdsb.on.ca; director@hwdsb.on.ca; gmacdona@hwdsb.on.ca; lsheppar@hwdsb.on.ca; ajjohnst@hwdsb.on.ca; cbingham@hwdsb.on.ca; mfmiller@hwdsb.on.ca; remulhol@hwdsb.on.ca; cpamill@hwdsb.on.ca; kaarcher@hwdsb.on.ca; ddanko@hwdsb.on.ca; bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca; cgalind@hwdsb.on.ca; ptut@hwdsb.on.ca; pdeathe@hwdsb.on.ca; matthew.green@parl.gc.ca; ahorwath-gp@ndp.on.ca; FILOMENA.TASSI@parl.gc.ca; SShaw-QP@ndp.on.ca; donna.skelly@pc.ola.org; Bob.Bratina@parl.gc.ca
Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca; hwdsbkidsneedhelp@gmail.com

Subject: Defund police, invest in community

Hello,

My name is Lisa Nussey and I live in Hamilton Ontario in ward 2. Recently, black organizers released a list of demands in light of police brutality happening in Canada and in the United States. I am writing in support of those demands.

The violent acts of state and municipal oppression that Black and Indigenous people continue to experience and describe must end. It is time for the institutions that have oversight of the police and residents to ask why we spend \$171 million on policing but only \$158 million on social services. The breakdown of the social services budget is \$81 million on Transit, \$25 million on Healthy and Safe communities, and \$52 million on boards and agencies.

We are spending \$171 million on a police service that terrorizes and murders Black and Indigenous people in our streets, schools, places of education, and homes. This is unacceptable.

The demands called for by the Black Lives Matter organizers I am writing in support of:

- We call on the city of Hamilton to defund the Hamilton police.
- We call on the city of Hamilton to invest the tax dollars that would have otherwise gone to the police towards initiatives fighting against food insecurity, racism and towards more affordable housing.
- We call on the City of Hamilton to ensure that HPS are not ticketing houseless people for existing in public.
- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services halt all purchases with tax dollars of weapons (guns, rifles, etc).

- We demand that the Hamilton Police Services cease the ticketing and surveilling of homeless and disabled people in Hamilton, and that there be a moratorium on the hiring of police constables in Hamilton given the documented over-surveilling of homeless people during the pandemic.
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As a taxpayer and as a mother and as a community organizer and as a person who longs to live in a just and life affirming city, I urge you to take up these demands with the utmost of care and diligence. The leadership that has been shown by the releasers of these demands is inspiring and, if taken seriously, will breathe new life into this city. Please listen and learn and act.

Sincerely,

Lisa Nussey,
Ward 2

Pilon, Janet

Subject: The Future of Policing in Hamilton: A Response from Councillor Nrinder Nann

From: Joshua Weresch

Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2020 8:22 AM

To: Nann, Nrinder

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Re: The Future of Policing in Hamilton: A Response from Councillor Nrinder Nann

Dear Nrinder:

Thank you for your reply. To date, you're the only councillor who's replied to my letter to all councillors. I've carbon-copied the city clerk so my reply can be included in public correspondence in the 24 June 2020 city council meeting.

I was encouraged to read of your and Councillor Wilson's support for police de-funding in this CBC article: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/defund-1.5613169>. I would certainly ask other councillors to join them in de-funding the police and would ask both them and all councillors to go further than de-funding police and join other Black Lives Matter activists and those in solidarity with them to abolish the policing services completely.

Regarding your list of questions you will be asking, I would respond to them by asking whether policing has any future in Hamilton at all and not to presume that there is any future to policing. It seems clear that wellness checks are not to be the province of the policing services and a re-design of community-based services, led by and responsive to the people by whom they are needed, is necessary, funded by the \$171 -million policing budget, in large measure. We can better support residents with mental-health needs by supporting the communities in which they and we live, and not policing them through 'community policing', with addiction needs by completely de-criminalizing all drugs, treating their possession as a public-health and not as a criminal issue, and creating safe-injection sites for safe and sustainable use, and with housing issues by expropriating condominiums that are built and sit empty as well as hotels and other available multi-residential units for public, and not affordable, housing.

The most strategic and sustainable investment that can be made to deliver the outcomes -- life and freedom in love and joy -- that people in Hamilton deserve is the complete abolition of the Hamilton Police Services. I would re-iterate my request of you and of city council as a whole to submit an application to the Ontario Civilian Police Commission to abolish the Hamilton Police Services.

Thank you for your time and your attention in these regards. I look forward to your and council's actions on behalf of all people living in Hamilton.

Kindly,

Joshua Weresch,
Resident, Ward 8

Jun 15, 2020, 15:30 by Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca:

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> Dear Joshua Weresch,
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> Thank you for writing to the Ward 3 office on this important and serious issue.
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> Questions about the future of policing are echoing across cities and the world. We all have an obligation to examine publicly funded services, the outcomes they achieve, and changes needed.
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> I am aware of the demands laid out on June 2nd and appreciate the demonstration of leadership by the community organizers here in Hamilton. These are not bandwagon demands, rather carefully crafted after a deep assessment of the pattern of experiences and realities in Hamilton.
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> As we evaluate the best ways to keep our communities safe, I will be asking the following questions:
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> ·> > What does the future of policing look like?
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> ·> > Are police services the appropriate public services for wellness checks?
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> ·> > How can we redesign and resource community-based services for crisis intervention?
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> ·> > How do we better support residents with mental health, addiction and housing needs?
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> ·> > What is the most strategic and sustainable investment to deliver the outcomes that Hamiltonians need and deserve?
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> I will be taking the demands under advisement as we consider actions to make communities-especially those communities made marginalized, safer. I also remain committed to ensuring our communities are able to give voice to priorities and solutions.
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> Please let us know if you have any further questions.
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> A final note: if you would like your correspondence to be received by Council, and to become part of the official public record, please forward your email to > clerk@hamilton.ca>
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> Yours in community,
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**Mayor and Members of Council
City of Hamilton
clerk@hamilton.ca**

June 22, 2020

4.10 (ee)

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

Re: Hamilton Police Service Budget

There has been much discussion of the budget of the Hamilton Police Service and there is a strong chorus in the community in favour of defunding this line item and redistributing the funds to strengthen and improve services and transfers, while also transferring functions of government back into the hands of civil servants rather than an occupying paramilitary force.

I concur strongly with this sentiment. The Hamilton Police Service should be defunded.

HPS has just received a lengthy critique of an important operational failure, the Pride In Hamilton Report received on June 8. The critique was damning, but rather than accept responsibility, the Chief released a statement claiming to be responsible, but failing to deal in the accepted way of accounting for such basic failures, by resigning. He stays on as head of this occupying force.

HPS has just been informed that the City's shortfall of operating funds due to COVID-19 is north of \$60 million. In response, it has elected to blow its 2019-20 budget surplus on guns and cars.

The HPS treats you with unsurpassing contempt. It is time to look at the enormously bloated budget used to support this service, that performs at consistently poor levels and with a great deal of collateral damage through this city. I would urge you to read once again (if you have read it) the Pride In Hamilton report commissioned by the PSB for a lengthy examination of that poor service.

You have all warned of the need to tighten belts. The entire COVID savings can be obtained here.

With thanks and regards,

Craig Burley
Barrister & Solicitor



4.10 (ef)

Dear Mayor Eisenberg and Members of Council,

The students of McMaster University have called for change to the security structure on our campus, and they are calling for change in the greater Hamilton community as well. A commitment to defunding the police, and re-allocating resources to the community is an investment in a re-imagined safety plan for the city.

We need one that prioritizes community care, as opposed to criminalization and incarceration. As the McMaster Students Union, we stand with those calling for police defunding. Defunding the police means that we can invest in community care, mental health supports and community institutions. Policing and use-of-force tactics are a reactive, often violent response to an overarching societal need – investments in people and not investment in their criminalization.

We ask the council, with a Hamilton Police Services (HPS) budget of \$171 million, who is being protected by HPS?

Across Canada, Black and Indigenous peoples are disproportionately more likely to experience police violence, racial profiling and discrimination. Between 2013 and 2017, Black communities made up 4% of the Canadian population, however accounted for 70% of police shootings resulting in death or injury, and 61% of ‘use-of-force’ cases resulting in death. As of 2019, over one third of all RCMP lethal uses of force have killed Indigenous peoples, while Indigenous peoples in Canada account for 4.9% of the nation's population.

Across the city, we see these statistics reflected in a multitude of ways. Within Hamilton, Black, Indigenous and racialized communities are disproportionately targeted, policed and murdered by members of their own police service.

As of the 2018 Statistics Canada analysis on hate crime in Canada, Hamilton continues to have the highest hate crime statistics (per 100,000 people) in all of Canada. This comes as no surprise when we look at the violence that took place at Hamilton Pride just this past year. In the face of direct violence against the LGBTQ+ community, the service failed to protect. In the face of direct violence against the LGBTQ+ community, the response was slow, inadequate and ineffective.

So we ask again, who is being protected by the Hamilton Police Services?

If the response does not include Black, Indigenous and racialized communities, the LGBTQ+ community, persons living with mental health concerns, those who are without homes or those struggling financially – then it is failing the Hamilton population.



A commitment to defunding Hamilton Police Services is a commitment to protecting systemically marginalized populations within this city. Anything else will be complicit in the violence that vulnerable communities have and continue to face.

Regards,

The McMaster Students Union

Fawziyah Isah,
Vice-President (Education)

Giancarlo Da-Ré,
President

Ryan Tse,
Associate Vice-President
(Municipal Affairs)

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Emergency & Community Services Committee

From: Whitney Bolam
Sent: June 23, 2020 11:44 AM
To: Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca>
Subject: Police Harassment in Hamilton

Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

My name is Whitney Bolam and I am a resident of London Ontario. I would like to bring your attention to the following incident that happened in your city. Please read the following Facebook post from Les Carr, dated June 22, 2020:

"Ok so I can't believe this happened. Taylor's boyfriend, Myles Washington-Purser, was handing out freezies (yes freezies) outside the shelter he's been working at with 2 white co-workers. As they were doing this 3 Hamilton Police officers approached the group and asked what are "you" doing. The 2 girls started to explain and police officers said not you but focused on Myles. They asked if he worked at the shelter, how long had he worked there, where did he get the freezies, did he have a receipt. The 2 coworkers tried to keep helping but were ignored.

Myles has been working at the shelter at his own risk during the whole outbreak. They should be applauding him not harassing him.

Honestly as a white male. I just wanted to throw up. How stupid can our police be to even act like this with everything going on.

I wished I could have been there to simply tell them off. I would have happily gone to jail to make the point.

Black live do matter.

Anyone that reads this thru please share."

While I do not know Myles personally, he and his family are members of The Salvation Army in Hamilton ON, and our families have many friends in common, as my family and I are also members of The Salvation Army here in London ON.

To say I am concerned about this situation is a gross understatement. As a white woman with two teenage boys, I don't have to worry that a situation like this (or worse) will happen to my sons because of the colour of their skin. But Myles' mother DOES have to worry and that is not okay with me. One thing that encourages me as I write this email to you, is that I am able to do so with Myles having only been targeted and harassed by the police. We have become far too familiar that situations like this can escalate and get out of control very quickly, and I am thankful that nothing more happened to Myles. But that is not enough. There is NO reason that Myles should have needed to endure this harassment and I feel it is paramount to speak up when racism is at this entry level of targeting and harassment, because we must do everything we can to stop racism at every level, before another Black, Indigenous or Person of Colour is assaulted or loses their life simply because of the colour of their skin.

Though I am not a resident of your city, I put these questions before you; What will you do to investigate this act of racism against Myles Washington-Purser?

What will you say to Myles Washington-Purser and his family? to the young ladies he was working with when this incident of racism happened? to the shelter where he has been working during the pandemic?

What are you and your City Council doing to ensure this, and other escalated situations, will stop happening to Black, Indigenous and People of Colour in Hamilton ON?

I have shared this story, along with your email address, on my personal Facebook page, and it is my hope that your inbox will be flooded with emails from other concerned parents and citizens who will no longer stand by while our BIPOC brothers and sisters are targeted, harassed and worse because of the racism within the police departments in our cities across our country.

Thank you for your time. I pray that you and all of the leaders within Canada will do everything you can to end racism, especially within our police departments.

Sincerely,
Whitney Bolam

Pilon, Janet

Subject: CALL FOR ACTION: From, a concerned resident

From: Jessika Taveras

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 12:42 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: CALL FOR ACTION: From, a concerned resident

To Mayor Eisenberger and members of Council,

I am writing to you today as a resident of Ancaster, Ontario. My name is Jessika Taveras and I am a certified Ontario teacher. I am a 28 year old white woman raising a child of colour in our city. With the current climate of the world, to say that I am horrified is a gross understatement. And what concerns me the most is that these atrocious injustices, which have been occurring for centuries, are just now beginning to be seen and heard from individuals of privilege. But I am glad that we have at least reached this point.

I have read your statement regarding the murder of George Floyd and I thank you for using your platform and your voice.

I believe the word you meant to say is 'systemic racism', meaning that the entire system has been set up to perpetuate and preserve the oppression of people of colour. This exists in Hamilton today; in our education system, in our policing, in our social services... in all aspects of our community. In 2019, it was reported that Hamilton had the highest rate of hate crimes in Canada. I am horrified to think of my 2 year old son growing up in a city where he will be racially discriminated against, looked at as the "other" or racially profiled by police.

The only way this is ever going to change is by every person of white privilege rewiring the historic and present day oppressive ideologies that exist within themselves. And then putting that change into action. People merely not wanting or not welcoming racism in Hamilton is NOT enough. We must begin to take anti-racist action to create actual permanent systemic change. For us white people, doing the work to learn, change and have these conversations might be uncomfortable. But discomfort is not the same as fearing for your life, which many people in the black community face everyday when having an interaction with a police officer. We

cannot turn a blind eye to this any longer. And as a concerned resident, I will not settle for people in power talking about it for a week, putting out a statement and then no change ever occurring.

So with this being said, I would like to ask what your plans of action to create actual systemic change are?

I look forward to hearing more.

Sincerely,

Jessika Taveras

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June 12, 2020

Dear Heads of Council / Clerks and CAOs:

Nothing is more important than protecting the health and well-being of Ontarians. Since first learning of COVID-19, Ontario has taken decisive action to stop the spread of this deadly virus, and we thank you for your support in our efforts.

We appreciate that the current situation for municipalities is not “business as usual”, and that all municipalities have had to make adjustments to adapt to new priorities and shifting ways of doing business.

When municipalities requested our help, we listened and acted quickly to legislate [changes to the Planning Act and make the necessary regulation to suspend decision-making timelines](#). These changes balanced the need to suspend the timelines that would allow a municipality to refocus time and resources on the COVID-19 outbreak, while allowing councils to continue to make decisions on planning matters as municipal capacity evolved.

As we move forward with our gradual approach that will allow Ontario to emerge from the COVID-19 outbreak, we know that getting shovels in the ground is key to moving forward on the path to economic recovery together. Many municipalities may be well on their way to a more normalized planning review process, and we want to ensure that the land use planning system is in step with a municipality’s expanding capacity during this time. As a result, we intend to end the temporary suspension of the Planning Act timelines as of June 22nd, 2020.

We understand that the safety of your constituents must remain a priority, and that there are certain provincial restrictions in place regarding public gatherings. Therefore, we encourage you to continue to use electronic and virtual channels, as appropriate, to engage and provide the public with an opportunity to make representations on planning matters, while following the advice of Ontario’s Chief Medical Officer of Health.

It is vital for our economic recovery from this outbreak that we work together to help move the planning approvals process forward. We need to continue the important job of creating housing and keeping infrastructure projects moving while also ensuring we maintain public health. Development has always played a key role in supporting growth in our communities, and it will play an especially important role on our road to economic recovery from COVID-19.

Let me assure you that our government is working to support you, our municipal partners, and will continue to work collaboratively to keep all Ontarians safe.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister

c. Association of Municipalities of Ontario



June 15, 2020

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West End Home Builders' Association | Submission to Audit, Finance and Administration Committee | Response to Information Report FCS20041 – Development Charges Annual Indexing – Effective July 6, 2020 – Consent Item 5.1 (b): Council I, May 20, 2020

Attn: Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council

On May 20, 2020, City Council received an Information Report regarding the Development Charges (DC) annual index increase scheduled for July 6, 2020. In accordance with the City's DC By-laws, DC rates are adjusted annually by the percentage change during the preceding year, for the purposes of aligning DC revenues with construction costs. This helps ensure the sustainability of the DC reserves for the funding of the City's growth-related capital requirements.

The planned percentage change will be a rate increase of 3.92%. Depending on the housing unit types, this could result in increases between \$550 to over \$1700 in development charges (in combined sewer system areas), for the time period spanning July 6, 2020 to July 5, 2021:

Residential DCs (\$ per Unit)	City DCs (07/06/19 to 07/05/20)	City DCs (07/06/20 to 07/05/21)	\$ Increase per Unit
Singles/Semis	\$43,489	\$45,195	\$1706
Townhouse/Other Multiple	\$31,128	\$32,348	\$1220
Apartment (2+ Bedrooms)	\$25,467	\$26,466	\$999
Apartment (1 Bedroom)	\$17,422	\$18,105	\$683
Residential Facility (\$ per bed)	\$14,047	\$14,597	\$550

Under the current Provincial state of emergency, legislation has been enacted that allows for expiring development charge by-laws to remain in force until the day the by-law is repealed, or 6 months after the termination of the state of emergency. This provision by the Government does not apply to the City of Hamilton by-law. As a result, City staff have indicated that the DC index increase scheduled for July 6 will proceed as planned.

WE HBA recognizes the difficult financial position that municipalities have been put in resulting from the current state of emergency, and the impact this has had on City budgets. WE HBA also acknowledges that a transition policy is in place within the DC by-law, which is meant to help developers (whom pass these costs onto consumers) in the midst of the building process transition from one DC rate to the next, without significant cost increases imposed between permit application and permit issuance if the index increase happens during this time. WE HBA agrees with the purpose of the index increase and the transition policy, in principle. However, while the principle of the policy makes sense under normal circumstances,

unfortunately, as we are all fully aware, the unexpected has happened, and accommodations must be made to account for these impacts.

The transition policy effectively captures any unanticipated rate increases occurring during the building permit process. The issue that builders, developers and consultants are faced with at this time, as a result of COVID-19, is that significant delays are taking place in the processing of planning applications which consequently prevents the ability to then submit for building permits in a timely fashion. Many projects will now be subject to the July 6, 2020 index increase for which they simply did not budget for. Therefore, while we acknowledge that the transition policy attempts to avoid some unforeseen delays or unanticipated rate increases, it does not effectively capture the significant delays being caused by the ongoing State of Emergency.

As stated, we do recognize the challenging position that municipalities are faced with during the pandemic, and the impacts that these challenges are having on City budgets. However, because of COVID-19, the development industry has been significantly impacted, and many developers are facing liquidity issues and in some cases may not be financially capable of handling the increased costs that the DC index increase will place on their projects in the current economic environment. The WE HBA has two options as recommendations for addressing the index increase:

1. To effectively address the delays in processing and decision-making on planning and development applications through COVID-19, which have impacted building permits being applied for in time to avoid the index increase, we request that the Transition Policy be amended and widened to capture not only the date of building permit application, but also the date of development application for site plans, zoning by-law amendments, Official Plan amendments, and draft plans of subdivision/condominium. This option would allow developers with a project in the planning stages to still maintain their currently planned project budgets with the in-effect DC rates at the time of application, while also allowing the municipality to move forward with revenue-generating measures and implement a DC index increase.
2. Alternatively, another recommendation to be considered that would assist the development industry in moving forward with their projects in accordance with their planned budgets had planning processes proceeded as usual, we request a one (1) year deferral of the index increase, which would then come into effect July 6, 2021. We recognize that this option would delay the increase of the DC rates until a later date, however it may prove less burden administratively in comparison with Option 1.

The City of Hamilton and the West End Home Builders' Association have had an ongoing and positive relationship and we appreciate the opportunities provided to us to provide feedback and comment on items that impact the home building industry in Hamilton. We trust that our recommendations above on this matter will be given sufficient consideration and thought as to the best way to proceed forward. Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input and comment on this matter.



Sincerely,



Kirstin Jensen, MPI, MA
Manager of Planning & Government Relations
West End Home Builders' Association

- c.c. Brian McMullen, Director, Financial Planning, Administration and Policy
- Lindsay Gillies, Supervisor, Development Charges, Programs and Policies
- Steve Robichaud, Director of Planning & Chief Planner
- Jason Thorne, GM Planning & Economic Development
- Tony Sergi, Senior Director, Growth Management
- Rob Molinaro, President, West End Home Builders' Association
- Suzanne Mammel, CEO, West End Home Builders' Association
- Terri Johns, T. Johns Consulting Group
- Nick Carnicelli, Carriage Gate Homes
- Matt Johnston, Urban Solutions
- Bianca Bruzzese, BDO Canada LLP



Pilon, Janet

Subject: Contradicting Regulations

From: Mary Poirier

Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 10:07 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Contradicting Regulations

To the Chair and Members of General Issues Committee,

My name is Mary Poirier. I am 21 years old, and have lived in Hamilton my entire life. I am proud to say I am a mixed race member of your community. While I am half Filipino, I have deep concerns for my fellow black community members.

The former township of Dundas (which has been amalgamated since 2000) is named after Henry Dundas, "the minister most strongly associated with those wishing to resist immediate abolition [of slavery]" (Ferrell). I would like to demand that the city of Hamilton and its responsible council have Dundas change its name.

According to an article titled "Hamilton Street Naming, Renaming, and Addressing Guidelines and Policies that the guide to municipal street renaming recommends the following:

" A) The city reserves the right to rename any street... in the interest of public safety....

F) That there shall be no use of awkward, corrupt, discriminatory or derogatory names, in regards to race, sex, colour, creed, political affliction, or other social factors".

Having a city's name dedicated to a vocally racist and oppressive character in history is harmful to our society whose black members still suffer the ties of systemic racism. It is inherent that the city of Hamilton considers the dangers of dedicating an entire former township with the name of a man who defended the right to own slaves. By doing so, we as a city, are celebrating the oppression of black people.

Additionally, your guidelines for renaming streets dictates that there shall not be discriminatory names in regard to race. By leaving a township with the name of a slavemaster, we are allowing generations of pain and suffering to continue.

Dundas was only able to have a town named after him because he was friends with John Graves Simcoe, previously a lieutenant governor of Upper Canada. This goes against the guidelines which have been placed by Hamilton's current standards, as it delegates that names of consideration include local heroes. A hero does not "force around 630,000 slaves to wait more than a decade for their freedom" (Schofield). As a diverse society, we cannot consider a man who delayed the abolishment of slavery in the British Empire by 15 years a true hero.

By keeping this name, we are applauding those who oppress our people. This is no different than keeping the name of a town dedicated to Adolf Hilter. If there was a town with that name, it would be renamed with no question. So why do we question making changes for the black members of our community? The Immigrants Working Centre claims that there are "over 70 cultural heritage groups in Hamilton". With such a diverse community, we must lend a hand to ensure public safety for all of our citizens.

During World War I, "on Sept. 1, 1916, Berlin officially became Kitchener. Residents voted narrowly to change Berlin's name in the midst of the First World War to prove loyalty and stem the backlash against a city with deep German roots" (Outhit). We must end the war on race. We must take backlash against a society with deep systematically racist roots.

I demand that the name of Dundas, Ontario be changed because it contradicts the policies set for renaming and addressing streets in Hamilton by appraising discriminatory historical figures and demolishes public safety.

I have posted a petition to raise awareness of this issue and you are welcome to view it here: <https://www.change.org/p/fred-eisenberger-change-the-name-of-dundas-on>



Sign the Petition

Change the Name of Dundas, ON

www.change.org

Thank you for your time,

Mary Poirier.

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Pilon, Janet

Subject: Covid-19 Impact on Area Rating of Transit - Transcab Formula

From: Lakewood Beach Community Council

Sent: June 17, 2020 11:54 AM

To: DL - Council Only <dlcouncilonly@hamilton.ca>

Cc: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Covid-19 Impact on Area Rating of Transit - Transcab Formula

Dear Honourable Mayor and Council,

It has occurred to us that in addition to properties (*within what was the City of Hamilton boundaries 20 years ago*) likely being hit the hardest due to Area Rating, those of us in the TransCab boundaries are likely also to bear a disproportionate levy for the decrease in transit revenues due to covid-19.

A reasonable person would assume that Transcab levies are based on actual cost to operate. If for example, the supplier is paid \$1M for the year's service, levies of \$1M are applied to the properties, within the pre-ward boundary review wards that have Transcab areas within those old ward boundaries. (*quite the mouthful but we think we got that right. Please note the properties that pay for Transcab don't all receive it; and some locations which receive Transcab service don't all pay for it*)

Yet, the formula used by HSR Staff is to 'convert' to 'transit kilometres' & 'transit hours' to determine an 'equivalent conventional service'. The actual formula is:

HSR calculates "TransCab kilometres" using a formula. These kms are then added to the HSR bus route km operating in the Transcab area to arrive at a total transit km for the Area Rated boundary . ie Stoney Creek. A community's total km's determines its share of the Transit levy.

HSR uses TransCab passenger trips & costs, HSR system-wide trips & costs and then converts these inputs into "equivalent conventional service hours". Then, using HSR system-wide km/hr, an "equivalent conventional service kilometres" calculation is made for TransCab.

Here is the calculation for Stoney Creek TransCab however the same applies to Glanbrook TransCab:

MODEL FOR DETERMINING TRANS-CAB HOURS & KILOMETRES	
Input	Stoney Creek 2016
Average gross cost per customer trip on HSR System:	\$ 3.38
Average trips per hour on HSR System:	29
Cost per Trans-Cab customer trip:	\$ 5.75
Forecast trips:	84000
Equivalent conventional service hours:	4,849
HSR System km/hr:	19.2
Equivalent conventional service kilometres:	93,102
Total Operating Expenses/Regular Service Passenger Trips	Regular Service Passenger Trips/Total Vehicle Hours
	contract price

Using HSR bus system expenses, HSR passenger trips, HSR bus hours & HSR bus speed, along with the TransCab contract price per customer trip and the forecast TransCab passenger trips, the equivalent kilometers are calculated.

What might not be obvious, is that if the average gross cost per trip city-wide increases (which is the case due to covid-19), there is an increase in the Transcab levy (no matter what the corresponding decrease in invoices paid (cost) might be for the actual Transcab service)

Some of you may recall that our initial concern from 4 years ago, was the fact that as the city-wide HSR bus service expands outside of our area (average trips per hours and/or kms per hour delivered), due to this formula, Transcab levies increase.

As we learned more, we were then concerned that some locations receiving Transcab service are outside of the 'transcab levied areas'.

Now we are bringing this formula to your attention again, in light of covid-19 impacts potentially impacting/increasing Transcab levies for 2021.

Respectfully, we are requesting that this out-dated and illogically complex formula be re-visited.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lakewood Beach Community Council

Pilon, Janet

Subject: HSR RESPONSE INCLUDED | FW: Political Complaint. FW: Taxi Scrip Program

Importance: High

From: Stephen Van Eerdewijk

Sent: June 15, 2020 8:33 PM

To: Whitehead, Terry

Cc: Prince, Kristin; Susan Malseed

Subject: RE: HSR RESPONSE INCLUDED | FW: Political Complaint. FW: Taxi Scrip Program

To All Council and Public Works Committee Members:

Following a conversation that I had with Mr. Terry Whitehead this morning, I have requested that he add the following issue to the agenda for the next Council and Public Works Committee meeting.

I am writing to express my extreme dissatisfaction and disgust with the handling of the Taxi Scrip Program as per the e-mail thread below in response to my complaint. I have two major issues, the second which would not be relevant if not for the first.

First, the Taxi Scrip Program should not have been suspended at all. Taxis were deemed essential, buses were deemed essential, but the assistance that the Taxi Scrip program provides to people with disabilities and seniors was not considered essential? This simply does not make sense. The fact that DARTS is available to provide essential trips at no charge for anyone with a valid ID, even if they are registered for "taxi scrip only", is perfect for people who have essential appointments to attend, however, this does not work for my use case, and the use case of many people who use taxi scrip to do their grocery shopping, or travel to and from essential services such as medical appointments, where DARTS is not able to provide an acceptable level of service.

It is more cost-effective to buy groceries in bulk and pay for less taxis during any given month, as you are spending the same amount of money at the grocery store, but in a single trip rather than multiple trips, thus saving on the transportation. DARTS will not take my wife, myself, and a trunk full of groceries home from the grocery store which is why I believe I speak for my family and many others, when I make the statement that the Taxi Scrip Program is essential. The restrictions on the amount of groceries that DARTS has advised me would be allowed, which was 2-3 bags each, would in fact cause people to have to make unnecessary additional trips to the grocery stores if using the DARTS service, where taking a taxi would minimize the number of grocery trips required to be able to purchase food and other essential items. This is counter-intuitive during a time when we are required to minimize the number of essential trips in order to do our part to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, therefore, in these cases, DARTS is not a reasonable alternative to replace the use of taxis and the need for the Program. Furthermore, with limits in stores and items being out of stock and having to travel to other stores, in addition to the fact that where we may have taken buses to get to essential services back in March and April and taken a taxi on the return trip, we took taxis both ways because we did not feel safe using public transit, we actually spent far more money on taxis, without the benefit of the discount that the Taxi Scrip Program offers. Though I strongly believe that there would be ways to facilitate the sale and servicing of taxi scrip during the Pandemic, if the decision was made to suspend the program, an alternative should have been put in place to assist people who need to take taxis rather than DARTS. A very simple solution would have been to either offer free taxi service to/from essential services for anyone with a valid ID card who is registered to DARTS/Taxi Scrip service and have the Taxi Company bill to charges to the City, or at the very least, a 40% discount (which should be more than 40% during this time as per the extra travel that people are having to do as per the reasons indicated above) and the difference would again be charged to the city.

Another even more serious use case where the DARTS Service is not an adequate alternative to the Taxi Scrip Program is for medical appointments where DARTS is unable to accommodate the need for a person to be dropped off at a specific location for such appointments. Susan Malseed, who is also copied on this e-mail, is a dear friend of mine, who is a senior and struggles with many health issues, including COPD. She is also a passenger registered for the Taxi Scrip Program,, and not having access to the program is putting her at further risk during this pandemic. Susan requires outpatient medical treatments multiple times per week at the Fontbonne Building at St. Joseph's Hospital. DARTS will not drop her off directly at the entrance to the Fontbonne Building, the reason provided to her being something to do with the emissions of their vehicles, so they will only drop her at the main entrance at 50 Charlton, causing her to have to change her gloves and mask, take an enclosed elevator, and then walk quite a distance to get to the Fontbonne Building, all which would not be necessary if she was dropped off directly at the Fontbonne Building. By the time she gets there, she is out of breath, weak and exhausted. Again, while DARTS is supposed to be available for essential trips, the fact that they will not take her directly to the Fontbonne building means that Susan either needs to put herself at further risk by taking public transit, or needs to take a taxi. The suspension of the Taxi Scrip Program and the fact that it was not deemed essential has actually caused a more negative financial impact to it's users, as this is the primary purpose of the Program, which in many cases, is used for essential trips.

Finally on this point, as services are being reopened, the Taxi Scrip Program should have been at the top of that list, but is it available yet? Not to the best of my knowledge.

My second point is that as per the below thread, it has been stated that since taxi scrip is monthly and is not cumulative, we will not be allowed to purchase taxi scrips retroactive to April. This is understandable when a person makes a choice not to purchase their allotment of taxi scrip during a given month, however, we should not be penalized for the fact that we were unable to purchase taxi scrip because the decision was out of our hands as there was no opportunity to purchase taxi scrip due to the suspension of the Program. I inquired about this option as it would assist those who have had to take taxis at a monthly cost that is higher than what they normally would during the Pandemic, or people who generally take taxis that add up to more than the monthly allotment of the 3 books of taxi scrip that is currently allowed per user, to recover some of their losses. Another option would be for the City to provide regular taxi scrip users with a payment for the 40% difference that we would have saved, which for a person who uses 3 books of taxi scrip per month is \$48.00, in order to compensate for the suspension of the program. I was not asking for free taxi scrip, just the opportunity to purchase the same amount of scrip that I would have normally purchased, and should have been able to purchase, especially during these difficult times, or at least the ability to recover the loss of my discount as a result of not having access to the Program.

If a satisfactory resolution to this issue cannot be provided, I will be taking next steps to escalate this further, as I feel that it is unacceptable that all of the factors outlined above do not appear to have been taken into consideration when the decision was made to suspend the Taxi Scrip Program, and the request to allow us to purchase the taxi scrip that registered users would have been entitled to if the Program was not suspended was denied. Next steps include but may not be limited to:

1. I will be sending a copy of this entire e-mail thread, without modification, to all City Councillors individually, the Mayor of the City of Hamilton, the AODA, several media outlets, and any other person or entity that I determine could potentially assist with making the case for justice to be served in this matter.
2. I will be filing a complaint with the AODA for the suspension of the Taxi Scrip Program, a service that disabled persons rely and depend on, in a time where it is most essential and has had a more negative impact on the disabled community.
3. I will be starting support groups on social media to reach out to anyone who would like assistance with a resolution to this issue, and who wish to stand with me in supporting this cause.

I would be happy to personally discuss this issue further with any of the Council or Public Works Committee Members that feel that they can assist with reaching a satisfactory resolution in this matter. Please feel free to contact me by phone or e-mail using the contact information in my signature below. Since I work from home, I can be reached by phone before 9:30 A.M. or after 6:30 P.M. Monday through Friday, however, if you leave a message on my voicemail, I can return calls during my lunch or breaks throughout the day. I look forward to

hearing from someone, and sincerely hope that we can reach an acceptable resolution to this matter in a timely manner.

Sincerely, and Without Prejudice,
Stephen Van Eerdewijk

From: Prince, Kristin <Kristin.Prince@hamilton.ca>

Sent: May 28, 2020 11:31 AM

To:

Subject: Fw: HSR RESPONSE INCLUDED | FW: Political Complaint. FW: Taxi Scrip Program

Good morning Stephen,

Thank you for your patience while I was waiting to hear back from our staff on your questions. Please see the email below for the response from our Emergency Operations Team. I trust this will answer your concerns mind you, it will not be satisfactory. I can speak to Councillor Whitehead about this however and see if there is anything he can do to help with retroactive purchasing of the books and let you know what he thinks can be done. In the mean time, if you have any further questions or concerns please let me know and I'll do what I can to get you information and help.

Best Regards,

Kristin Prince

Executive Assistant

Councillor Whitehead

Ward 14 Hamilton

905-546-2779

From: EOC Council Liaison

To: Prince, Kristin

Cc: Whitehead, Terry

Subject: FW: HSR RESPONSE INCLUDED | FW: Political Complaint. FW: Taxi Scrip Program

Hi there, your email was sent to me for a response,

Due to the closure of HSR Customer Service Centres until further notice, the Taxi Scrip program also remains temporarily suspended until further notice, including the purchasing of taxi scrip books. However, while the taxi scrip program remains suspended, current Taxi Scrip clients may call DARTS at 905-529-1717 to book an essential trip, using their Client ID number, even if their current eligibility is for taxi scrip only. At this time, no fare is being charged for travel on DARTS.

Taxi scrip allotments are monthly and not cumulative, so backdating the purchase of taxi scrip books for the months while the program is suspended will not be allowed.

Customers can find up-to-date information online at <https://www.hamilton.ca/coronavirus/faq-transit-customers>.

Customers can also call the Accessible Transportation Customer Service number with any questions about changes to service: 905 529 1212.

Take care
Kelly

From: Prince, Kristin <Kristin.Prince@hamilton.ca>
To: ATS <ats@hamilton.ca>
Cc: Whitehead, Terry <Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca>
Subject: Taxi Scrip Program

Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well.

I have received a call today regarding the taxi scrip program and am hoping someone can provide me with some answers for this resident.

The Taxi Scrip program was suspended for the Months of April and May. When will the program be reinstated and people be able to purchase again? Additionally, will people using the program be able to retroactively buy the books for the 2 months they were not able to buy?

As you know the people who rely on this program do not have the discretionary income to get around. Is there any plans on the part of ATS to compensate people for the loss of the two months worth of taxi scrips if they do not allow retroactive purchases?

Best Regards,
Kristin Prince
Executive Assistant

Councillor Whitehead

Ward 14 Hamilton


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DATE: April 16, 2020
 TO: Chief Eric Girt
 FROM: Kirsten Stevenson, Administrator
 SUBJECT: **Dedicated City-Wide Traffic Enforcement Unit and School Bus Enforcement Cameras**

For your information and attention please find a copy of the resolution respecting the subject above, which was approved by the Police Services Board at its Public meeting held on Thursday, June 11, 2020.

cc. Alicia Davenport, Legislative Coordinator, City of Hamilton
 Dan McKinnon, General Manager, City of Hamilton
 Nancy Wunderlich, Administrative Coordinator, City of Hamilton

5.2 Dedicated City-Wide Traffic Enforcement Unit and School Bus Enforcement Cameras

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Mandy
 Seconded by: Member Jackson

That the Board approve correspondence from Chief Eric Girt dated March 24, 2020 with respect to Item 5 of the Public Works Committee Report 20-022 City of Hamilton Vision Zero Action Plan 2019-2025 Update (PW19015(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1); and

That the Board approve this correspondence be forwarded to the City of Hamilton to the attention of Legislative Coordinator Alicia Davenport and copied to General Manager Dan McKinnon and Administrative Coordinator Nancy Wunderlich.

Carried.



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March 24, 2020

Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Chair – Hamilton Police Services Board
City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, ON

Mayor Eisenberger:

In response to Council's follow-up Notice dated February 18, 2020 (attached), and the request from the Board on March 12, 2020 for a response, I provide the following for the Board's consideration, which could then be forwarded to Council.

Relative to Item 5 of the Public Works Committee Report 20-002 which reads as follows: *City of Hamilton Vision Zero Action Plan 2019 -2025 Update (PW19015(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)*

(a) That the Hamilton Police Services Board be requested to review the feasibility of implementing a dedicated City-wide Traffic Enforcement Unit;

The Board approved the addition of eight (8) front-line officers dedicated to City-wide traffic safety enforcement. The Board also requested that metrics be provided to determine the efficacy of this unit. The primary duties of these officers include enforcement of all Highway Traffic Act (HTA) Offences, particularly focused on speeding, distracted driving, moving violations, equipment violations and any other priorities related to traffic safety. Also included in this enforcement of traffic safety are measures to reduce or intervene with regard to Impaired Driving by both alcohol and drug consumption. In addition, they will investigate personal injury traffic accidents. Once the metrics are gathered and analyzed, further recommendations will be provided. This could include the potential to expand this unit, keeping in mind the Vision Zero Action Plan which recommends enforcement as one of the key strategies, in addition to the other two strategies of education and prevention as part of the entire strategy for traffic safety.

(b) That the Hamilton Police Services Board, Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board and Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board be requested to review the feasibility of implementing school bus enforcement cameras.

While the Hamilton Police Service is not in a position to implement such changes directly, the Hamilton Police Service supports the installation of school bus enforcement cameras to assist in the prosecution of persons who commit HTA offences relative to school buses. The Service also supports legislative changes that allow for violations to be processed similar to the legislation governing red-light camera enforcement.

I would ask that the Hamilton Police Services Board endorse this correspondence and forward it to the City Clerk for distribution to City Council.

Sincerely,



Eric Girt
Chief of Police

4.18 (a)

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June 5, 2020

Julia Wagner
Sr. Project Manager
Public Works, Hamilton Water
City of Hamilton

Dear Julia,

Thank you very much for the preview of the CSO Outfall Live Map for the www.hamilton.ca/wastewatermonitoring site. I enjoyed the opportunity to see the product and have a discussion with you on my thoughts.

I am excited for this product to go live in the next few weeks after receiving appropriate approvals. This is a positive step forward in closing the gap between those that have information and those that want to learn information.

In particular, I like the plans to keep information archived here as the tables populate. I can envision Hamilton Harbour researchers using this site as a tool to look back to see if a data point they have in their own work lines up with any CSO events. This value-added data will improve our understanding of the response of the Harbour to events. I also appreciated the variety of information pieces available on the website to serve as a deeper, yet accessible, background resource to those entering this combined sewer discussion for the first time.

Congratulations to the whole team associated with the development and launch of this product. The City of Hamilton has shown their ability to not just meet the intent of being open with information sharing, but their ability to exceed intent in design, content, and function.

Sincerely,



Kristin O'Connor
Coordinator
Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan

Pilon, Janet

Subject: BARC - Email of Support

From: Chris McLaughlin <cmclaughlin@hamiltonharbour.ca>

Date: 2020-06-19 10:49 a.m. (GMT-05:00)

To: "Wagner, Julia" <Julia.Wagner@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Re: CSO Live Map - Letter

Hi Julia,

As you'll know from our conversations, BARC has been advocating for a system like this for a few years now in discussions with Public Works and Public Health. Although not all outfalls are set up yet with the equipment required for a full monitoring of the system, this is a terrific first step at collecting and providing the information necessary for better decisions within the RAP and more informed public health advisories on water quality and public recreation. This kind of information system will also help with educating the community about the function, benefits and limitations of the wastewater system, and the growing need for a comprehensive investment in integrated stormwater management. Thanks again for engaging us and I look forward to seeing the project come online.

Chris McLaughlin
Executive Director
Bay Area Restoration Council



A Healthy Watershed for Everyone

June 19, 2020

Attention: Julia Wagner, Sr. Project Manager
Hamilton Water, City of Hamilton – Public Works
77 James Street North, Suite 400
Hamilton, Ontario
L8R 2K3

Dear Ms. Wagner:

Re: Hamilton Conservation Authority Support for the Hamilton Water Combined Sewer Overflow Live Reporting Mapping

Hamilton Conservation Authority (HCA) supports the Hamilton Water initiative regarding the development of Combined Sewer Overflow Live Reporting Mapping.

This real-time information regarding untreated wastewater releases to area watercourses and water bodies from the City's combined sewer overflow storage tanks and combined sewer outfalls, as well as waste water treatment plant bypasses, will provide HCA and the public with another important tool for monitoring water quality within the watershed.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "T. Scott Peck", written over a horizontal line.

T. Scott Peck, B.A., DPA, MCIP, RPP, CMMIII
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/ Director, Watershed Planning & Engineering
JB/TSP



June 22, 2020

Attention: Hamilton City Council

Re: Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting
(PW19091(a))

Royal Botanical Gardens fully supports and appreciates the ongoing Combined Sewer System public communication improvements the City of Hamilton is undertaking through the website. We also thank the City of Hamilton staff for their consultation with Royal Botanical Gardens staff as well as other stakeholders as these ongoing improvements are made.

Capturing and treating sewage is critical to the ecological sustainability and conservation function of Cootes Paradise Marsh, which itself is critical to the ecology of western Lake Ontario. In addition, Cootes Paradise is a much beloved space for visitors both locally and internationally. This is also critical for the trust and confidence that the water is safe for the recreational users.

We look forward to the next steps of adding further monitoring to the unmonitored/remediated CSO sites, as well as the assessing of the CSO overflow performance vs the policy objectives for the waters flowing to Cootes Paradise Marsh. We fully anticipate Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan partner support for the remediation of the remaining unmanaged and unmonitored CSOs to Cootes Paradise as delisting the Hamilton Harbour Area of Concern requires the recovery of the aquatic ecosystem of Cootes Paradise Marsh.

We look forward to working with City of Hamilton to remediate these long-standing issues.

Sincerely,

Tys Theijsmeijer
Head of Natural Lands

Mark Runciman
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June 19, 2020

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hamilton:

We have come together to sign this joint letter to ask that you immediately allow City of Hamilton citizen committees the option to resume their meetings virtually.

The City of Hamilton is continuing to make decisions during the COVID-19 pandemic that affect the public without consulting these formal committees. While barriers to privacy and technology are serious impediments for some members of these committees, we have seen that the City has the resources to overcome these barriers and to make sure that meetings are accessible to all members and the public.

We ask that City Council pass a motion, as soon as possible, to change the established procedural bylaws to give the City's volunteer citizen committees the option to resume their meetings virtually until it is safe for them to meet again in person.

Respectfully signed,

Kate Berry

Stephanie Bertolo

Janice Brown

Karen Burke

Roman Caruk

Alissa Denham-Robinson

Diane Dent

James Diemert

Sophie Geffros

Sharon Gibbons

Freja Gray

Cameron Kroetsch

Jake Maurice

Ann McKay

Jessica Merolli

Cora Muis

Chris Ritsma

Rammy Saini

John Scime

Stefan Spolnik

Cathy Sutherland

Kyle Weitz

Alex Wilson

Christine Yachouh

*NOTE: Though we are all members of citizen committees we are speaking as residents and citizens of the City of Hamilton only. We recognize that, because these committees are not currently meeting, we cannot speak or give advice in any official capacity.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Correspondence re: motion for Hamilton Police Services to muffle loud vehicles

From: Joshua Weresch

Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2020 9:37 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Correspondence re: motion for Hamilton Police Services to muffle loud vehicles

To the clerk at Hamilton's City Hall:

Please include the attached letter as public correspondence in the next city council's meeting, regarding Councillors Jackson and Collins' motion about Hamilton Police Services' muffling of loud vehicles, as reported in this Mountain News article, available online at <https://www.hamiltonnews.com/news-story/10035762-hamilton-mountain-coun-tom-jackson-wants-police-to-muffle-loud-vehicles/>. <<https://www.hamiltonnews.com/news-story/10035762-hamilton-mountain-coun-tom-jackson-wants-police-to-muffle-loud-vehicles/>> Thank you very much.

Kindly,

Joshua Weresch

Anishinaabeg land (Hamilton ON)

To the mayor and councillors of Hamilton, Ontario's city council:

Good evening. I hope this finds you well. My name is Joshua Weresch, a non-Native born, raised, and living here with my wife and children on Anishinaabeg land in Hamilton, Ontario. I write in regards to the proposed motion by Councillors Jackson and Collins for the Hamilton Police Services to muffle loud vehicles, as reported in the Mountain News on 18 June 2020 by Kevin Werner, and I would ask, for several reasons, that council refuse to entertain such a motion.

First, both councillors serve on the Hamilton Police Services Board and have gone on the record in favour of more police visibility and against the abolition of policing. Councillor Collins, in particular, stated that the demands to de-fund or to abolish policing were 'nonsensical'. To have these two councillors now propose a motion that would increase the presence of police, especially within their roles of traffic enforcement and traffic stops, is somewhat problematic and raises the question whether these councillors are fit to serve on the police-services board in any capacity. It would seem that such a motion is only creating more work for the policing services to do. Second, the enacting of such a motion would, as noted, increase the presence of police within their role in traffic enforcement and would lead to more traffic stops. It is demonstrably the case that traffic stops have led to violent encounters between policing services and, predominantly, racialized people; those encounters must stop. For these reasons, the motion must be voted down.

A possible solution to loud mufflers is what was done in August 2018 in Edmonton, Alberta, as reported by Natasha Riebe in this C.B.C. article, Noise-control technology now on Edmonton streets, listening and watching (accessed 20 June 2020). Eight high-incidence locations had photo-radar style noise technology installed, with microphones and decibel meters, and Edmontonians have spoken publicly in favour of photo-radar installations instead of police constables. Automated enforcement reduces the amount of traffic stops and police interactions with people and would automatically ticket the owner of the vehicle to which the licence plate is registered. In November 2019, Kate Porter reported, in the C.B.C. article, Photo radar coming to roads near 12 Ottawa schools (accessed 20 June 2020), that municipalities had been given the green light to install technology to curb speeding. City councils have also voted to devote all of the revenue gained from automatic enforcement's tickets to road-safety measures and this could be done in Hamilton, also, and pay for many neighbourhoods' calls for speed bumps' installations, as speed bumps were recently installed on Rendell Boulevard, as reported by Mark Newman in the Hamilton Mountain News (4 Jun 2020; accessed 20 June 2020). It is worth noting that a policy should be written that any residential streets within 2 miles of a school, place of worship, or community centre should have speed bumps installed on them.

Thank you for your time and attention in these regards. I believe there are solutions to be found to muffle loud vehicles and they are not by way of using policing or their traffic enforcement. Please vote this motion down.

Joshua Weresch
Resident, Ward 8

20 June 2020

Written Delegation by Alissa Denham-Robinson (Chair, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee)
Re: Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a)) (City Wide)
Date: June 19, 2020

June 19, 2020

Attn: Fred Eisenberger, Mayor of the City of Hamilton and
Members of Hamilton City Council

**Re: Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a))
(City Wide)**

I wish to express my personal thanks to the members of Hamilton City Council for their review, discussion and support of municipal heritage matters during this time of COVID-19; including four (4) recent heritage related items:

1. A motion (dated April 22, 2020) for the designation of Evergreen Farm located at 1389 Progreston Road, Carlisle, a Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest;
2. A motion (dated April 29th, 2020) aimed at protecting Hamilton's built heritage by adding 40 properties within Ancaster's historic core, to the City of Hamilton Register of Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (non-designated properties);
3. A motion (dated May 20, 2020) enacting an interim Control By-law to restrict lands in the Waterdown Community Node area; pending the completion of planning studies including the Waterdown Village Built Heritage Inventory; and
4. A motion (dated May 20, 2020) directing staff to prepare a report detailing the necessary revisions to any City of Hamilton By-laws to allow virtual Committee Meetings during the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency. Amongst the committees included under this motion, were the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee (HMHC) including Working Groups, Cross-Melville Heritage Conservation District Advisory Committee and Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee meetings.

Since the closure of city run facilities due to Covid-19 and the declaration of a Provincial State of Emergency, the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee has not met since February 20, 2020.

Due to the City's established procedural by-laws, Volunteer Citizen Advisor Committees are unable to meet in a virtual format. However, the Ontario Heritage Act requires Municipal Councils to consult with their Heritage Committee.

In response to Council's direction of May 20, 2020, staff have prepared the required report outlining the necessary revisions to the procedural by-laws to accommodate virtual meetings.

With this information, Council now has the opportunity to change the established procedural bylaws during the current COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency, to enable the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and its related heritage Subcommittees and Working Groups to resume a meeting schedule (in a virtual format) until such time that committee members may meet again safely and in person.

I would ask Council members to please consider approval of staff's recommendations (June 16, 2020) which will allow our volunteers to continue working during this unprecedented time and within the HMHC mandate; to advise Council on matters under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Why is it important to resume a meeting schedule as soon as possible?

Having the ability to meet, offers Council access to the advice of HMHC on all matters relating to the designation of property, the review of heritage permit applications and other cultural heritage conservation measures under Parts IV and V of the Ontario Heritage Act.

One more specific reason relates to Ancaster's historic core. Despite Council's motion of April 29th, 2020, the 40 heritage properties recommended for addition to the Municipal Register and therefore afforded 60 days protection from demolition remain unprotected at this time. They will remain vulnerable until HMHC can formally meet in consultation and as required under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Should an application to demolish be received by staff before HMHC can meet, then staff will be forced to act quickly to assess the subject property(s) and Council will need to make a rapid decision to either approve demolition or pass a motion for emergency designation. Reactive decisions like this, often result in divisiveness within the community and between all parties involved. Not only does this become a drain on staff resources, but also typically leads to a negative outcome for the heritage property. This is never the desired outcome.

Again, I would ask you to consider staff's recommendation to allow the necessary revisions to municipal procedural by-laws to accommodate virtual meetings for the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and its related heritage Subcommittees and Working Groups.

Our committee members are eager to resume their role as volunteer advisors; in service to Council and the City of Hamilton.

Thank you for your time and consideration.


Sincerest regards,



Alissa Denham-Robinson, Chair
Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee



INFORMATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	June 22, 2020
SUBJECT:	Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (ES20008) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Craig Murdoch Director, Environmental Services Public Works Department
SIGNATURE:	

This information update is to provide the Mayor and Members of Council additional information pertaining to Notice of Motion, Item 10.1, Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options, from the June 17, 2020 Public Works Committee meeting which was subsequently referred to the June 24th Council meeting.

Background

The current operations and maintenance contract for the Central Composting Facility (CCF) commenced in June 2006 and is set to expire December 31, 2020.

At the April 3rd, 2019 Public Works Committee (PWC) meeting, staff were directed to do the following:

- Issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the operation and maintenance of the CCF;
- Establish an in-house bid team to prepare and submit a bid to the RFP with the potential to transfer the service from a contracted provider to an in-house service;
- Conduct a risk assessment of contracted operations and maintenance vs. in-house operations and maintenance; and,
- Report back to PWC with recommendations based on the risk assessment results and both in-house and external bids received.

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OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

**SUBJECT: Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options
(ES20008) (City Wide) - Page 2 of 4**

In preparation for the expiry of the current contract, staff released RFP C11-09-20 on May 25, 2020 for the operation and maintenance of the CCF. RFP C11-09-20 is set to close on July 20, 2020.

A Notice of Motion was brought forward to the June 17, 2020 PWC meeting seeking direction to cancel RFP C11-09-20 with the intent to modify and reissue the RFP with an additional processing option. During the current procurement process, staff received an inquiry from a proponent asking the City to consider allowing alternative bids to process City Source Separated Organics (SSO) at a third-party off-site processing facility while using the CCF as a transfer facility instead of a processing facility. The current RFP contains a single option which is to operate and maintain the City owned CCF in order to process SSO collected through the City's Green Bin program. The reissued RFP would contain the following two options:

- 1) Accepting SSO at the City's CCF and processing SSO into compost that meets the provincial compost quality standards. This option would continue to see the CCF being used for its intended purpose as a processing facility; and,
- 2) Accepting SSO at the City's CCF, consolidate and transfer the SSO to a third-party processing facility that will process it into compost that meets provincial compost quality standards. This option would see the CCF being converted to a transfer facility.

Cancelling the RFP and reissuing with a second option for third-party off-site processing may provide additional proposals and may provide staff and Council additional options to consider when awarding the next contract for the processing of City SSO. A modified RFP would also allow proponents to submit a proposal for either of the options listed above or both.

Public Works Committee Inquires

During the June 17, 2020 PWC meeting, Committee had various questions regarding Item 10.1 (Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options), Notice of Motion. These questions are listed and answered below:

1. What is the name and location of the Third-Party and their processing facility that requested this modification to the RFP?

It is not common practice for staff outside of Procurement to be notified of the source of inquires during the procurement process. This information is not shared in order to maintain objectivity during the procurement process. It is recommended by Legal Services, Procurement and the City's contracted fairness monitor that the source of the inquiries provided through this procurement process not be disclosed.

**SUBJECT: Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options
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Note that if the RFP includes the option for third-party processing, any proponent, not just the one that made the request, may submit a bid from within or outside the municipality and that staff will not know possible processing locations until the RFP is closed and the evaluation process begins.

2. What can be included in the RFP that would ensure a reputable third-party processor submit proposals?

In order to ensure that only proponents who are reputable and permitted to accept and process SSO are able to progress through the procurement process, staff incorporate language within the RFP and the evaluation criteria ensuring that processing facilities have all appropriate permits and approvals. Staff also include language in the RFP and evaluation criteria focusing on the proponent's ability to operate processing facilities in compliance with all approvals and permits.

In order to accept and process SSO, all processing facilities must obtain appropriate operating permits such as Environmental Compliance Approvals issued from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). The process to receive approvals is extensive and includes public consultation and environmental reviews for appropriate facility siting. Without the appropriate permits and approvals, the processing facility is not legally allowed to accept and process SSO and, therefore, the City would not award an operating contract to that proponent.

In the case of third-party off-site processing, this does not prevent the host municipality from objecting to the source of SSO, it just means that the MECP permits it.

3. What happens to the CCF if Third-Party processing is selected?

If off-site third-party processing of the City's SSO is selected as the preferred option through the RFP process, the CCF would then be converted from a compost processing facility to a transfer facility at the responsibility of the successful proponent. With this, the CCF would not be used for its originally intended purpose and a portion of the CCF will not be operational for the duration of the contract and would require decommissioning. For example, the aerobic composting tunnels and compost screening portion of the facility are not required in a transfer facility scenario. An alternative use of those portions of the facility would need to be determined or kept intact in case the decision to restart using the CCF for its intended purpose is made at a later date.

4. Will residents see changes to the Green Bin program?

The RFP states what green bin materials must be accepted by any bidder. This means that there would be no change in what residents receive as a service from current operations in either scenario. There is the possibility, depending on the type of technology used to process SSO, that a third-party processing facility may have the ability to process additional materials that are currently deemed unacceptable in the City's Green Bin program. If this is the case, the acceptable items list for the Green Bin program may expand to include materials that are currently deemed unacceptable. If the Motion is approved, Staff will include language in the RFP requesting proponents who are proposing third-party processing to identify any materials that the City could add to the Green Bin program that are currently unacceptable and this information would be included when staff report back on the results of the RFP.

Staff were directed by Council to report back to the PWC following the completion of the RFP process with recommendations based on the risk assessment and results from both the in-house and external proposals received. If the option of third-party processing is added to the RFP, it is staff's intention to expand the scope of the risk assessment to include not only contracted operations and maintenance vs. in-house operations and maintenance, but to also include the option of third-party processing. Staff will also report back to PWC with recommendations and all relevant information related to the processing options and in-house proposal, including processing facility locations for Council's consideration in the award process.

If approved, the original Motion brought forward to the June 17, 2020 PWC meeting will be amended to reflect the third-party option in the risk assessment and to report back to PWC with recommendations as mentioned above.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not applicable

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Members of Council, City of Hamilton

SUBJECT: Fee Review of Personal Transportation Providers

DATE: June 24, 2020

Introduction

Since 2015, Uber has worked closely with the City of Hamilton to deliver a safe, affordable and reliable ridesharing platform.

Hamilton's regulatory framework for personal transportation providers (PTPs) has been among the most successful in Canada at enabling innovation while maintaining a safe marketplace. It has ensured that PTPs are held accountable to the City through the rigorous annual licensing process. We view Hamilton's bylaw as a paragon of smart regulation.

On June 16, 2020, the Planning Committee passed along to Council recommendations outlined in the Fee Review of Personal Transportation Providers (Schedule 24 of the Business Licensing By-law 07-170). These recommendations would see the City impose a new PTP Licensing Fee in the amount of \$5,000 annually and increase the PTP Licensing Per Trip Fee to \$0.30 from the current amount of \$0.06.

While Uber is supportive of the overall direction of the Report, we believe that two changes would help support the City's transportation system as it recovers from COVID-19 and works to become more accessible for all Hamiltonians. Those changes are as follows:

- Amend the recommendation such that the new fee structure comes into effect when a PTP applies for a new license or renews its existing license;
- Amend the recommendation related to Accessible Transportation such that:
 - If PTPs decide to launch a wheelchair accessible service in Hamilton, they could be eligible for funding through the Accessible Taxi Incentive Program, and
 - The PTP would then be exempt from paying the accessible transportation portion of the fee.

Implementation Timeline

The first recommendation relates to the implementation timeline of the new fee structure. The fee change that is being recommended to Council is substantial and will have a significant impact on the operations of PTPs in Hamilton.



In February 2020, Uber successfully applied for a license renewal and paid the \$52,530 Licensing Fee and the \$20,000 Voluntary Accessibility Payment, and acknowledged the per-trip fee of \$0.06. The term of Uber's licence is one year, and the licence is valid until March 1, 2021.

As Hamilton continues reopening its economy from the devastating effects of COVID-19, this proposed change in fee structure will cause increased costs for passengers at a time when Hamiltonians can ill afford an increase. Hamiltonians who may be, for example, seeking a safe and reliable trip to get to work, to childcare, or to attend a physician's office.

As Uber and Hamilton City Council are both keenly aware, Hamiltonians are increasingly price sensitive with the economic uncertainty we are all facing. Any jump in proposed per trip pricing, especially at this time, will have an impact on Hamiltonians; it will hurt the affordability of rides in Hamilton, reduce demand for rides, and undermine the earning opportunities available to Hamiltonians.

For these reasons, we request that the new fee structure should come into effect when a PTP applies for a new license or renews their existing license. This would be fair to all players in the PTP space and ensure that PTPs can take the necessary steps to prepare for the increase.

Accessible Transportation

Our second request relates to accessible transportation. While Uber currently pays the Voluntary Accessibility Payment, we are always looking for ways to expand our offerings in the accessible transportation space.

Hamilton could be a leader in Canada in the accessible transportation space by expressly creating a pathway for PTPs to launch a wheelchair accessible option in Hamilton. Specifically, if a PTP launches an accessible option, it should be eligible for funding from the Accessible Taxi Incentive Program be exempted from paying the accessible transportation portion of the per-trip fee. Uber shares the City's goal of reliable accessible transportation for all, regardless of ability, and Hamilton here has an opportunity to stay at the vanguard of smart PTP regulation in Canada.

This regulatory certainty would help support the potential arrival of our WAV (Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle) service in Hamilton in the future, which would help bring on-demand accessible transportation to more Hamiltonians.

Conclusion

Uber looks forward to continuing a productive relationship with the City of Hamilton and appreciates the consideration of these two changes. Please let us know if you have any further questions or require additional clarification on any point.



Hamilton

MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY REPORT 20-001

Thursday, June 4, 2020

8:30 a.m.

Council Chamber

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger,
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
P. Hall, Executive Director, Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce
K. Jarvi, Executive Director, Downtown Hamilton BIA
T. Johns, Board Member, West End Home Builders' Association
L. La Rocca, Director of Operations, Sonic Unyon Records
K. Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
B. Lubbers, General Manager, Courtyard by Marriott
A. Marco, President, Hamilton & District Labour Council
R. McCann, Founder, Clearcable Networks
R. McKerlie, President of Mohawk College
K. Martin, Executive Director, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton
B. Munroe, Blacktop Recess
M. Patricelli, Executive Director, Flamborough Chamber of Commerce
C. Puckering, President and CEO, Hamilton International Airport
T. Shattuck, Chair, Synapse Life Science Consortium, McMaster Innovation Park
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: Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal
E. Dunham, Owner, The Other Bird (Restaurant/Hospitality Sector)
M. Ellerker, Business Manager, Hamilton-Brantford Building & Construction Trades Council (Building/Skilled Trades Sector)

THE MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY PRESENTS REPORT 20-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR (Item 2)

- (a) That R. McKerlie be appointed Chair of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery for 2020; and,
- (b) That T. Johns be appointed Vice-Chair of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery for 2020.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) WELCOME FROM MAYOR FRED EISENBERGER (Item 1)

Mayor Eisenberger called the meeting to order and recognized that Council is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 3)

The Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda for the June 4, 2020 meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, was approved as presented.

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 4)

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

The presentations respecting the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Overview and the Economic Development Initiatives and COVID-19 Hamilton Business Impact Survey Results, were received.

(i) Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Overview (Item 8.1)

Janette Smith, City Manager, and Carrie Brooks-Joiner, Director of Tourism and Culture, addressed the Task Force respecting an overview of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, with the aid of a PowerPoint Presentation.

A copy of the presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca and through the Clerk's Office.

(ii) Economic Development Initiatives and COVID-19 Hamilton Business Impact Survey Results (Item 8.2)

Norm Schleeahn, Director, Economic Development, addressed the Task Force respecting Economic Development Initiatives and COVID-19 Hamilton Business Impact Survey Results, with the aid of a PowerPoint Presentation.

A copy of the presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca and through the Clerk's Office.

(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)

There being no further business, the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery adjourned at 10:52a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Mayor's Task Force on Economic
Recovery

Loren Kolar
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 20-009

9:30 a.m.

Monday, June 15, 2020

Due to COVID 19 this meeting was Livestreamed only

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor T. Jackson (Chair)
Councillors M. Wilson, J. Farr, N. Nann, S. Merulla, C. Collins,
E. Pauls, J. P. Danko, B. Clark, B. Johnson, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson,
A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge

Absent: Councillor T. Whitehead - Personal

THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-009, AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

**1. Director Resignation - Hamilton Farmers' Market (CM20005) (City Wide)
(Item 5.1)**

That Report CM20005, respecting the Director Resignation - Hamilton Farmers' Market, be received.

**2. Economic Impacts of Live Music Sector: Hamilton Music Venue Research
(PED20112) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

That Report PED20112, respecting the Economic Impacts of Live Music Sector: Hamilton Music Venue Research, be received.

**3. Financial Implications of COVID-19 Response (FCS20040(a)) (City Wide)
(Item 7.1)**

- (a) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee on additional cost containment measures that could be implemented to limit the potential 2020 budget deficit resulting from the COVID-19 response;

- (b) That the capital projects to be considered for delay / deferral, in Appendix “A” attached to Report FCS20040(a), as potential sources to offset the anticipated COVID-19 related deficit, be received as information;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to transfer the \$1,144,000 of Capital Levy funds related to ongoing capital projects with surplus funding identified in Appendix “A” attached to Report 20-009 to a new COVID-19 Reserve;
- (d) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to close the completed and / or cancelled capital projects identified in Appendix “A” attached to Report 20-009, in accordance with the Capital Projects Closing and Monitoring Policy;
- (e) That the Federal Government be requested to provide a one-time increase of \$32.6 M to the Federal Gas Tax allocation for 2020 and that the Federal Government provide allowance for gas tax funding to offset previously approved capital works that have not been substantially completed, pursuant to the eligibility requirements in the Administrative Agreement on the Federal Gas Tax Fund;
- (f) That staff, subject to the provision of a one-time transfer payment of \$32.6M of Federal Gas Tax funds, be directed to apply such funds against open capital projects that have not been substantially completed and direct the subsequent available municipal funds to a new COVID-19 Reserve;
- (g) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with a revised 2020 tax supported capital financing strategy that utilizes \$11.2M of uncommitted Federal Gas Tax Reserve funding in the place of Capital Levy funds, with the intent to free up additional funding to offset COVID-19 financial pressures;
- (h) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with recommendations related to adjustments to the 2021 Tax and Rate Operating and Capital Budgets process and timelines;
- (i) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be directed to report back on the potential of transferring funding from the following Reserves to address the 2020 forecasted year-end tax supported operating budget deficit, complete with effects to the existing infrastructure deficit:
 - (i) Parking Capital Reserve (108021);
 - (ii) Building Permit Fees Revolving Fund (104050);
 - (iii) Development Fees Stabilization Reserve (110086);

- (iv) Social Housing Transition Reserve (112244);
- (v) Four Pad Arena Stabilization Reserve (110049);
- (vi) OW Stabilization Reserve (110044);
- (vii) Public Health Services Reserves (112219);
- (viii) Airport Capital Reserve (108043);
- (ix) H.E.F. – Capital Projects Reserve (100025); and,
- (x) Red Light Camera Project Reserve (112203); and,

- (j) That the City Clerk be directed to forward Report FCS20040(a), respecting the Financial Implications of the COVID-19 Response, to local Members of Parliament, local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities Ontario.

4. Our People Survey (HUR20008) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the rescheduling of the second Our People Survey, along with all associated communications and activities required, from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021, be approved.

5. Pilot Program, Partnership Between Hamilton Civic Museums and the Hamilton Public Library (HPL) for Free Museum Admission (PED20069) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

- (a) That a two-year extension, until March 25, 2022, of the program that allows Hamilton Public Library (HPL) cardholders free general admission to any of the City of Hamilton's operated museums, be approved; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to continue to monitor the impact of this program on Hamilton Civic Museums' revenue, attendance and visitor demographics and report back to the General Issues Committee.

6. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 20-003, March 10, 2020 (Item 8.3)

- (a) **Installation of Urban Braille along Cannon Street East (PW20018) (Ward 2) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 10.1)**

WHEREAS, urban braille is a system of tactile information serving the needs of people with vision loss by using both colour and texture contrast to provide warning signals and clues related to orientation;

WHEREAS, a number of people with disabilities (especially with visual limitations) live in the Cannon Street area;

WHEREAS, existing urban braille at the corners do not include all accessible features at the three heavily used intersections on Cannon Street East at Wellington Street North, Catherine Street North, and John Street North;

WHEREAS, City staff determined that it is feasible to install urban braille at all four corners of the intersection at Cannon Street East/Catherine Street North and Cannon Street East/John Street North and at three corners (North East, South East, and North West) of the intersection at Cannon Street East/Wellington Street North; and,

WHEREAS, urban braille is already installed at the South West corner of the intersection at Cannon Street East/Wellington Street North with the exception of the tactile strip due to an existing hydro manhole located in the sidewalk;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That urban braille, including 150mm shorelines, street name plates, and tactile strips with directional lines be installed at all four corners of the intersection at Cannon Street East/Catherine Street North and Cannon Street East/John Street North and at three corners (North East, South East, and North West) of the intersection at Cannon Street East/Wellington Street North, as per City of Hamilton drawing no. RD-124 detail (Urban Braille Sidewalk – Typical Details (Size 24" x 36")).

(b) Inaugural Public Meeting of Accessibility Standards Canada (Added Item 10.4)

WHEREAS, Accessibility Standards Canada will host its first ever annual public meeting where the Board of Directors will meet the Canadian public for the first time;

WHEREAS, the event will also act as the official launch of Accessibility Standards Canada; and,

WHEREAS, the event is scheduled on Monday, April 6, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Marriott Downtown at CF Toronto Eaton Centre (525 Bay Street, Toronto);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the following Members be approved to represent the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities at the public meeting of Accessibility Standards Canada on April 6, 2020 with the transportation costs to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2020 approved budget for conferences and related travel expenses, to an upset limit of \$1,000:

- (i) Jayne Cardno
- (ii) Michele Dent
- (iii) James Kemp
- (iv) Paula Kilburn
- (v) Aznive Mallett
- (vi) Tom Manzuk
- (vii) Mark McNeil

(c) Overview of Meeting with the Mayor, Chief of Police, and City Manager (Item 13.6)

WHEREAS, the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA) requires municipalities with populations in excess of 10,000 to establish an accessibility advisory committee (section 29(1));

WHEREAS, the primary role of such committees is to advise municipal Councils on their accessibility plans and review of site plans (section 29(4));

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities provides recommendations and advice to City Council and City staff on matters of disability and accessibility as requested, per the Committee's Terms of Reference;

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities has been without a Council representative since May 22, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the appointment and presence of a City Councillor to the Committee would be an endorsement of the work of the Committee and would be of great value to both the Committee and Council;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respectfully requests that City Council assign a Council representative to the Committee; and,

- (b) That the Council representative attend regular monthly meetings of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for the balance of the Term of Council.

(d) Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) Municipal Bus Service Cuts (Added Item 13.9)

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the General Issues Committee (Budget) approved service adjustments, including a cut of 19,000 hours, to Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) "underperforming" municipal bus service routes;

WHEREAS, cutting 19,000 hours of municipal bus service routes puts pressure on both the disabled community and DARTS (Disabled and Aged Regional Transit System); and,

WHEREAS, the decision was made without consultation of the disabled community which goes against the principals and values of an equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) framework;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respectfully requests that City Council consult the Committee respecting service adjustments to Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) municipal bus service routes.

7. Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee Report 20-001, February 25, 2020 (Item 8.4)

(a) Appointment of Sub-Committee Chair and Vice-Chair for 2020 (Item 1)

- (i) That Councillor Whitehead be appointed as Chair of the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee for 2020; and,
- (ii) That Councillor Pauls be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee for 2020.

(b) Transit Service Levels, Demand and Growth Opportunities by Ward (PW19026) (City Wide) (referred from the General Issues Committee on February 28, 2019) (Item 7.1)

That Report PW19026, respecting Transit Service Levels, Demand and Growth Opportunities by Ward, be received.

(c) Transit Area Rating Methodology Review (FCS19094) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

- (i) That Report FCS19094, respecting Transit Area Rating Methodology Review, be received; and,
- (ii) That no action be taken to review the possibility of the area rating net benefit to Wards 1 to 8 being used for public transit city-wide.

(d) Amendment to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference (Item 11.1)

- (i) That Sections 1(a) and (d) of the Terms of Reference for the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee, be amended to update timelines as follows:
 - (1) To evaluate options for rebalancing area rating for transit for the 2021 budget process, including enhanced service levels that align with the overall City Transit Strategy.
 - (2) To incorporate any changes into the 2021 budget process the Sub-Committee should complete its recommendations by December of 2020.

8. Public Works - Capital Projects Status Report as of December 31, 2019 (FCS19077(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

- (a) That the Capital Projects Status Report, Public Works Tax Supported Projects, as of December 31, 2019, attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS19077(b), be received; and,
- (b) That the Capital Projects Status Report, Public Works Rate Supported Projects, as of December 31, 2019, attached as Appendix "B" to Report FCS19077(b), be received.

9. Capital Project Closing Report as of December 31, 2019 (FCS19078(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.6)

- (a) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to transfer \$284,209 to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) and \$11,744 from other sources, as outlined in Appendix "B" attached to Report 20-009;
- (b) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to close the completed and / or cancelled capital projects listed in Appendix "C" attached to Report 20-009, in accordance with the Capital Projects Closing and Monitoring Policy;
- (c) That Appendix "C" attached to Report FCS19078(b), Capital Projects Budget Appropriations, for the period covering October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, be received for information; and,
- (d) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to borrow funds from the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) for projects with outstanding internal loan obligations, outlined in Appendix "D" attached to Report 20-009, and that previously approved Operating Budget annual principal and interest payments to the Capital projects be directed towards repayment of the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020).

10. Capital Projects Status Report (Excluding Public Works) as of December 31, 2019 (FCS19079(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.7)

That the Capital Projects Status Report (excluding Public Works), as of December 31, 2019, attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS19079(b), be received.

11. Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application, 575 Woodward Avenue, ERG-19-03 (PED20113) (Ward 4) (Item 8.8)

- (a) That Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application ERG-19-03, submitted by Losani Homes (1998) Ltd., owner of the property at 575 Woodward Avenue, for an ERASE Redevelopment Grant not to exceed \$386,975, the actual cost of the remediation over a maximum of two years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement;

- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) of Report PED20113, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to approve and execute any grant amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

12. Amending Physical Distancing By-law and Administrative Penalties By-law (LS20017) (City Wide) (Item 8.9)

That the amending by-law attached as Appendix "A" to Report LS20017, which amends both the Physical Distancing By-law (By-law 20-056) and the Administrative Penalties By-law (By-law 17-225) and which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted and effective immediately.

13. Acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road (PED20111) (Ward 15) (Item 12.3)

- (a) That an Option to Purchase, scheduled to close on September 2, 2020 for the acquisition of part of the land municipally known as 352 Mountain Brow Road, Hamilton, as described and shown in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED20111, based substantially on the Terms and Conditions attached as Appendix "B" to Report PED20111, and such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department, be approved and completed;
- (b) That all costs related to the acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road be charged to Project ID No. 4031280288 including total compensation as outlined in Appendix "B" to Report PED20111;
- (c) That the sum of \$30,810 be funded from Project ID No. 4031280288 and be credited to Dept. ID No. 812036 (Real Estate – Admin Recovery) for recovery of expenses including Real Estate and Legal administration fees related to the acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road;
- (d) That the City Solicitor be authorized to complete the transaction on behalf of the City, related to the acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road,

including paying any necessary expenses, amending the closing, due diligence and other dates, and amending and waiving terms and conditions on such terms as she considers reasonable;

- (e) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the necessary documents, related to the acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (f) That Report PED20111, respecting the Acquisition of Part of 352 Mountain Brow Road, Hamilton and its appendices, remain confidential until completion of the real estate transaction.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

- 7. ADDED STAFF PRESENTATIONS
 - 7.1 Financial Implications of COVID-19 Response (FCS20040(a)) (City Wide)
- 8. ADDED DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 8.9 Amending Physical Distancing By-law and Administrative Penalties By-law (LS20017) (City Wide)

The agenda for the June 15, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were none declared.

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

(i) February 7, 13 and 19, 2020 (Items 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3)

The February 7, 13 and 19, 2020 minutes of the General Issues Committee meetings were approved, as presented.

(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Financial Implications of COVID-19 Response (FCS20040(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Mike Zegarac, General Manager, Finance & Corporate Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report FCS20040(a), Financial Implications of COVID-19 Response.

The presentation, respecting Report FCS20040(a), Financial Implications of COVID-19 Response, was received.

For disposition of this matter, please see Item 3.

(e) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Hamilton Farmers' Market Governance (Item 9.1)

The Motion respecting the Hamilton Farmers' Market Governance Model, was DEFERRED to a future General Issues Committee meeting.

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

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List were approved, as follows:

(a) Proposed New Due Dates:

- (1) Code of Conduct for Council - Appointed Citizen Members of External Boards and Agencies (Item 11.1.a.a)
Current Due Date: February 19, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: September 23, 2020

- (2) Revenue Enhancement Opportunities at the John C. Munro International Airport (Item 11.1.a.b)
Current Due Date: March 25, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 10, 2020
- (3) Update on Request for Information – Downtown Parking Structure (PED16105 and PED15183) (Item 11.1.a.c)
Current Due Date: September 8, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: November 4, 2020
- (4) Pier 8 Development Opportunity RFP – Summary of the 4 Proposals (Item 11.1.a.d)
Current Due Date: February 19, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 10, 2020
- (5) Outline of the Costs of the exclusions outlined in Report PW18064 (AODA) (Item 11.1.a.e)
Current Due Date: March 25, 2020
Proposed Due Date: November 18, 2020
- (6) Parkland Acquisition Strategy (Item 11.1.a.f)
Current Due Date: December 9, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2021
- (7) Multi-Purpose Community Hub for Diverse & Marginalized Communities – Business Case (Item 11.1.a.g)
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: October 7, 2020
- (8) Annual Review of the Municipal Funding Program - Synapse Life Sciences Consortium (Item 11.1.a.h)
Current Due Date: April 8, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 6, 2020
- (9) Innovation Factory Request for Funding Renewal Option
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020 (Item 11.1.a.i)
Proposed New Due Date: July 6, 2020
- (10) Review of Possible Methods to Assist Prospective Purchasers to better Understand Special Zoning and land Use Restrictions on the Pleasant View Survey Lands (Item 11.1.a.j)
Current Due Date: March 25, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: October 21, 2020

- (11) CityLab Pilot Project Annual Update (Item 11.1.a.k)
Current Due Date: May 20, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 6, 2020
- (12) Hamilton Home Energy Retrofit Opportunity (HERO Program)
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020 (Item 11.1.a.l)
Proposed New Due Date: December 9, 2020
- (13) Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens - Housing (Item 11.1.a.m)
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 9, 2020 Page 4 of 8
- (14) Status Update respecting the Implementation of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Process Current Due Date: June 15, 2020 Proposed New Due Date: December 9, 2020 (Item 11.1.a.n)

(b) Items to be Removed (Item 11.1.b)

- (1) Art in Public Places (Addressed at the June 3, 2020 Council as Item 5.4(a) - Report PED20068) (11.1.b.a)
- (2) Free Museum Visits to Hamilton Public Library Holders (Pilot) (Addressed as Item 8.2 on this agenda - Report PED20069) (11.1.b.b)
- (3) Proposal for the Adaptive Re-Use of Balfour House/Chedoke Estate (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 10.1 - Report PED19168(a)) (11.1.b.c)
- (4) Waiver of Park and Insurance Fees for Easter Egg Hunts and Like Events (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 as Item 10.3 - Report HSC20008) (11.1.b.d)
- (5) Policy on Standard Terms and Conditions to be Incorporated in City Lease Agreements Consistent with the City's Equity and Inclusion Policy (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 10.11 - Report LS20007/HUR20005) (11.1.b.e)
- (6) Accounting of All Light Rail Transit Expenditures (Project no longer active.) (11.1.b.f)

- (7) CR-01 – Zoning Officer / Enforcement Officer in Wards 9 and 11 (Pilot project is longer required, as staff were able to create the position through retirement, reorganization; and, the position is no longer specific to the pilot.) (11.1.b.ga)
- (8) Feasibility of Locating a New Arena on the Hamilton Mountain (Limeridge Mall) (Addressed at the January 15, 2020 GIC as Item 10.13 - Report PED20008) (11.1.b.h)
- (9) Hosting Proposal – 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.i)
- (10) 2030 Commonwealth Games - Assessment of the Proposal against the City's Master Plans and Approved Ten-Year Capital Plan (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.j)
- (11) 2030 Commonwealth Games – Governance (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.a)
- (12) 2030 Commonwealth Games – Indemnification of the City (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.a)
- (13) 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid - Review of the financial model contained in the potential Hosting Proposal 2 (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.a)
- (14) 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid - Potential Implications of the Municipal Share of Hosting the Games (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.an
- (15) Hosting Proposal – 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid - Inclusion of the Entertainment District Facilities in the Bid (Addressed at the February 19, 2020 GIC as Item 9.2 - Report (PED19108(d)) (11.1.b.o)
- (16) Sub-section (a) to Report PED20053, Enbridge Gas Inc. Leave to Construct Application for the 2021 Dawn to Parkway Extension and Integrated Resource Planning

Proposal (Addressed at the April 29, 2020 Council meeting as Item 5.4(c)) (11.1.b.p)

- (17) Geographic Information System (GIS) Access for Councillors (Addressed at the February 2020 Council meeting. IPC and MPAC invited to attend future GIC.) (11.1.b.q)
- (18) Conservation Authorities Act Review (Addressed at the January 21, 2020 GIC as Item 1 - Report FCS20011) (11.1.b.r)
- (19) Pending Litigation Matters and Associated Liabilities (Addressed as Item 9.2 at the June 3, 2020 Council (COW) - Report LS20006) (11.1.b.s)
- (20) Correspondence from Di Censo respecting her resignation from the Hamilton Farmers' Market Board of Directors (Addressed as Item 5.1 on this agenda - Report CM20005) (11.1.b.t)
- (21) User Fees and User Fee Waivers (Addressed at the December 4, 2019 GIC as Item 17 - Report FCS19092) (11.1.b.u)
- (22) Potential Regulatory Litigation Matter (Chedoke Creek) (Addressed at the April 29, 2020 Council as Item 5.1(a) - Report PW19008(h)) (11.1.b.v)
- (23) Feasibility of Waiving Penalties on Property Tax (Addressed at the April 8, 2020 Council as Item 5.3(a) - Report FCS20038) (11.1.b.w)

(g) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(i) Closed Session Minutes – February 13 and 19, 2020 (Items 12.1 and 12.2)

- (a) The Closed Session Minutes of the February 13, 2020 and February 19, 2020 General Issues Committee meetings were approved, as presented; and,
- (b) The Closed Session Minutes of the of the February 13, 2020 and February 19, 2020 General Issues Committee meetings shall remain confidential.

Committee moved into Closed Session respecting Item 12.3, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (c) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, as amended; and, Section 239(2), Sub-section (c) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor Tom Jackson
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator,
Office of the City Clerk

City of Hamilton
 Available Capital Funding to Offset Anticipated COVID-19 Deficit
 Balances as of April 30, 2020

Project ID	Description	Budget Status				Available Funding				
		Total Budget	Actual Expenditures	PO Commitments	Uncommitted Balance	Capital Levy	Reserves	Development Charges	Other	Total
Projects to be considered for delay/deferral										
Planning and Economic Development										
7101558509	Public Art-West Ham Rail Trail	25,000	-	-	25,000	25,000	-	-	-	25,000
7202041208	Dundurn Exterior Pathways	75,000	-	-	75,000	75,000	-	-	-	75,000
7101258706	Dundurn Castle Exteriors	254,293	226,861	14,170	13,263	13,263	-	-	-	13,263
7201455700	Battlefield Interpretive Study	100,000	74,913	23,134	1,953	-	1,953	-	-	1,953
7201758703	Gage House Upper Rooms	182,300	118,788	23,374	40,138	40,138	-	-	-	40,138
7202041204	Childrens Museum Expansion Ph2	700,000	37,500	-	662,500	662,500	-	-	-	662,500
7201758701	Elec Box Heritage Program	34,000	14,706	-	19,294	19,294	-	-	-	19,294
7201841802	Steam Museum Tech Keeper Steps	95,000	92,413	1,290	1,298	1,298	-	-	-	1,298
8201755100	2017 Inter Village BIA Gateway	36,000	-	-	36,000	36,000	-	-	-	36,000
4501941900	Parking Control Squad Room	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	30,000	-	-	30,000
4031680681	Garner Rd-Hwy2 Wilson-Fiddlers	1,870,000	-	-	1,870,000	280,000	-	1,590,000	-	1,870,000
4032080288	Up Well-Stone Church-Limeridge	150,000	-	-	150,000	60,000	-	90,000	-	150,000
4031855815	South Mtn Arterial Study SMATS	150,000	-	-	150,000	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
4031955985	Highway 403 Connections Study	30,000	-	-	30,000	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
4031955986	MMLoS Policy & Trans Study	160,000	-	-	160,000	160,000	-	-	-	160,000
4032017051	Waterdown TM Implementation	150,000	-	-	150,000	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
4502055200	School Crossing Review	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	100,000
Subtotal Planning and Economic Development		4,141,593	565,181	61,967	3,514,445	1,702,492	131,953	1,680,000	-	3,514,445
Healthy and Safe Communities										
7101557502	CLASS Software Upgrades	260,380	229,507	22,444	8,429	8,429	-	-	-	8,429
Subtotal Healthy and Safe Communities		260,380	229,507	22,444	8,429	8,429	-	-	-	8,429
Public Works										
4411706201	Bar-Tiff Real Est Solicitation	200,000	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
4411706103	Bayfront Park Upgrades Ph 1	500,000	22,190	-	477,810	477,810	-	-	-	477,810
4411606111	Bayfront Park Beach Rehab	280,000	84,053	-	195,947	164,455	-	-	31,491	195,947
4411606004	Marketing Communication Imp	450,000	106,994	13,078	329,928	-	329,928	-	-	329,928
4411806103	Macassa Bay Boardwalk Trail	1,100,000	20,744	-	1,079,256	1,079,256	-	-	-	1,079,256
4411506104	West Harbour Draft Plan&Zoning	641,540	592,952	13,232	35,356	35,356	-	-	-	35,356
4411606103	Pier 6 Artisan Village	1,191,900	24,714	57,947	1,109,240	951,029	-	-	158,210	1,109,240
4411806102	Macassa Bay Shoreline Improv	1,150,000	167,698	6,625	975,677	975,677	-	-	-	975,677
3541951900	Generator ComplianceTest&Upgrd	110,000	-	-	110,000	110,000	-	-	-	110,000
3542041002	City Hall Garage Roof Rehab	140,000	-	-	140,000	140,000	-	-	-	140,000
3542041009	Compliance Remediation	450,000	-	-	450,000	450,000	-	-	-	450,000
3542051900	Generator ComplianceTest&Upgrd	470,000	-	-	470,000	470,000	-	-	-	470,000
3542055100	Facilities Audit Program	310,000	-	-	310,000	310,000	-	-	-	310,000
4452051900	Horticulture Infrastruct Repl	60,000	-	-	60,000	60,000	-	-	-	60,000
3722041805	HCC FOCH&FOC LifecycleRenewal	700,000	-	-	700,000	700,000	-	-	-	700,000
3722051000	Commonwealth Sq Railing Repl	100,000	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
3721949901	Summer's Lane Rehab&Pedstrn	1,950,000	44,319	-	1,905,681	1,100,000	805,681	-	-	1,905,681
4032041065	Snow Disposal - Yard Improve	250,000	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
4042010017	Street Lighting - Capital	400,000	-	-	400,000	400,000	-	-	-	400,000
4662020525	IPS - Intersection Ped Signal	370,000	-	-	370,000	370,000	-	-	-	370,000

Project ID	Description	Budget Status				Available Funding				
		Total Budget	Actual Expenditures	PO Commitments	Uncommitted Balance	Capital Levy	Reserves	Development Charges	Other	Total
4662020531	APS - Accessible Ped Signals	100,000	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
4662020721	Pedestrian Crossovers	300,000	-	-	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	300,000
4031717241	Fencing & Sound Barrier Rehab	210,000	140,931	17,660	51,409	51,409	-	-	-	51,409
4031817241	Fencing & Sound Barrier Rehab	150,000	88,718	35,222	26,060	26,060	-	-	-	26,060
4031818217	Bridge & Culvert Maintenance	2,000,000	1,889,316	89,052	21,632	21,632	-	-	-	21,632
4041810017	Street Lighting - Capital	420,000	146,948	259,325	13,727	13,727	-	-	-	13,727
4041917384	Annual Guiderail Upgrade 2019	400,000	351,821	28,717	19,462	19,462	-	-	-	19,462
4402055600	Parks Testing and Reporting	34,000	-	17,446	16,554	16,554	-	-	-	16,554
4402056003	Mohawk Sports Park Masterplan	90,000	-	-	90,000	90,000	-	-	-	90,000
4402056004	Morton Park Redevelopment	100,000	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
4401856127	Churchill Park Phase 2	50,000	10,631	-	39,369	39,369	-	-	-	39,369
4401856803	RHV Trails Mstr Plan The Nest	300,000	63,782	9,570	226,648	226,648	-	-	-	226,648
4401856817	Fifty Road Parkette Redev	348,000	160,343	-	187,657	-	187,657	-	-	187,657
4401356107	Cherry Beach Lakefront Park	3,162,100	2,887,013	218,486	56,601	56,601	-	-	-	56,601
4401656603	Sam Lawrence Park	320,000	276,072	29,474	14,454	14,454	-	-	-	14,454
4401756702	Fallen Firefighters Memorial	125,000	64,151	43,812	17,037	-	17,037	-	-	17,037
4401949510	Spraypad Infrastructure Rehab	46,300	8,101	-	38,199	38,199	-	-	-	38,199
4401956600	Olmstead Open Space-Monitoring	50,000	9,121	-	40,879	40,879	-	-	-	40,879
4401849107	Park Fencing Program	138,650	42,481	2,005	94,163	90,768	-	-	3,396	94,163
4401855801	Emergency Shoreline Study	340,000	259,251	25,022	55,727	-	55,727	-	-	55,727
7102041701	Community Halls Retrofits	250,000	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
7102041706	Recreation Centre Retrofits	200,000	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
7102054702	Facility Capital Maintenance	130,000	-	-	130,000	130,000	-	-	-	130,000
7102051001	Mech Infrastructure Lifecycle	200,000	-	75,000	125,000	125,000	-	-	-	125,000
4032019106	Hillcrest - Chedoke Recon	200,000	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
4031810006	Minor Annual Construction	200,000	132,481	54,620	12,899	12,899	-	-	-	12,899
4031921960	Fleet Addition - ES - Constrct	200,000	130,505	-	69,495	69,495	-	-	-	69,495
4661920522	Traffic Eng - Signal Design	200,000	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
4661955946	Autonomous-Connected Vehicles	300,000	-	-	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	300,000
4661720008	New Traffic Signal Instalation	705,000	579,075	-	125,925	125,925	-	-	-	125,925
4661620630	Two Way Road Conversion	630,000	291,399	135,284	203,317	203,317	-	-	-	203,317
4661720019	Annual Traffic Control RP 17	50,000	18,334	-	31,666	31,666	-	-	-	31,666
4661820019	Annual Traffic Control RP 18	300,000	202,573	-	97,427	97,427	-	-	-	97,427
4661820822	New Signal- Fifty @ North S Rd	80,000	26,992	42,852	10,156	10,156	-	-	-	10,156
4661820823	New Signal-Fruitland@North S R	80,000	10,664	58,897	10,439	10,439	-	-	-	10,439
4661915820	Traffic Counts Program	200,000	112,297	13,482	74,221	74,221	-	-	-	74,221
4661920017	Traffic Signal LED Upgrade	150,000	1,339	-	148,661	148,661	-	-	-	148,661
4662020010	Traffic Signal Modernization	200,000	19,232	80,000	100,768	100,768	-	-	-	100,768
5301985803	Terminal & End of Line Rehab	75,000	-	-	75,000	75,000	-	-	-	75,000
5301985804	Bus Stop Shelter Rehab	125,000	-	-	125,000	125,000	-	-	-	125,000
5302084003	Renaming the MacNab Terminal	37,000	-	-	37,000	37,000	-	-	-	37,000
5301641100	330 Wentworth HSR Storage	311,000	209,440	3,950	97,610	97,610	-	-	-	97,610
5301885804	Bus Shelter Rehabilitation	125,000	11,110	-	113,890	113,890	-	-	-	113,890
5301885803	Terminal and End Line Rehab	75,000	8,754	-	66,246	66,246	-	-	-	66,246
5121951900	WasteCollectionEquip-DwntwnBIA	165,000	-	-	165,000	165,000	-	-	-	165,000
5121990700	PubSpace&SpecEvent Containers	120,000	-	-	120,000	50,000	70,000	-	-	120,000
5122055137	Waste Management R&D	180,000	-	-	180,000	180,000	-	-	-	180,000
5122090700	PubSpace&SpecEvent Containers	50,000	-	-	50,000	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
5122091001	Glan Landfill Stg3 Cells C D E	250,000	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
5122095525	SWMMP-Planning & Approvals	150,000	-	-	150,000	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
5121894000	Transfer Station CRC	205,000	130,338	6,700	67,963	67,963	-	-	-	67,963
5121892000	Closed Landfill Maintenance	456,000	97,918	75,120	282,962	282,962	-	-	-	282,962

Project ID	Description	Budget Status				Available Funding				
		Total Budget	Actual Expenditures	PO Commitments	Uncommitted Balance	Capital Levy	Reserves	Development Charges	Other	Total
5121991000	Glan Landfill Cap Improvements	418,000	136,019	238,560	43,421	43,421	-	-	-	43,421
5121994000	Transf Stn CRC Main Improv	268,000	70,420	19,690	177,890	177,890	-	-	-	177,890
5121994920	Env Services LegComplianceProg	185,000	156,711	-	28,289	28,289	-	-	-	28,289
4411706105	WH Parking Garage Feasibility	300,000	13,314	-	286,686	286,686	-	-	-	286,686
4411706102	Pier 8 Park	1,419,300	273,228	44,918	1,101,154	1,101,154	-	-	-	1,101,154
4032018019	Bridge 019 - Norman	30,000	-	-	30,000	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
4032018372	Bridge 372 - Wilson St E	30,000	-	-	30,000	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
4032019103	Marion - King to Dromore	140,000	-	-	140,000	140,000	-	-	-	140,000
4032019105	Glenmorris (York Heights Nbhd)	140,000	-	-	140,000	140,000	-	-	-	140,000
4031818404	Bridge 404 - Harrison Rd	170,000	22,514	-	147,486	147,486	-	-	-	147,486
4031818089	Bridge 089 - Creighton Rd	260,000	77,599	7,373	175,028	175,028	-	-	-	175,028
4031918048	Bridge 048 - Jones	180,000	22,003	2,770	155,227	133,667	-	-	21,559	155,227
4031918126	Bridge 126 - RR 56	170,000	18,178	-	151,822	151,822	-	-	-	151,822
Subtotal Public Works		29,816,790	10,234,783	1,725,889	17,856,117	16,175,430	1,466,031	-	214,657	17,856,117
Corporate Services										
3382055002	Provision for ICIP	5,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	-	5,000,000
3382055003	Provision SOGR Boards&Agencies	414,000	-	-	414,000	414,000	-	-	-	414,000
Subtotal Corporate Services		5,414,000	-	-	5,414,000	5,414,000	-	-	-	5,414,000
City Manager's Office										
3381757505	Digital Strategy & Service Exp	280,000	261,977	-	18,023	18,023	-	-	-	18,023
3381858503	Performance Excellence Dashbrd	250,000	21,705	-	228,295	21,003	199,987	-	7,305	228,295
3381858502	Enhancing City of Hamilton App	40,000	10,310	10,000	19,690	-	19,690	-	-	19,690
Subtotal City Manager's Office		570,000	293,992	10,000	266,008	39,026	219,676	-	7,305	266,008
Total Projects to be Considered for Delay/Deferral		40,202,763	11,323,464	1,820,300	27,058,998	23,339,376	1,817,660	1,680,000	221,962	27,058,998
Ongoing Projects with surplus funding available										
4452053444	Tree Planting Program	1,345,000	-	50,500	1,294,500	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
4031941762	Facility Yard Maintenance 2019	240,000	11,908	-	228,092	128,000	-	-	-	128,000
4662015820	Traffic Counts Program	250,000	7,876	-	242,124	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
4402056918	BeasleyPk RehabPh2-KellySt Ped	644,119	2,548	171,184	470,386	210,000	-	-	-	210,000
4402051001	Equipment Upgrades	50,000	10,176	-	39,824	36,000	-	-	-	36,000
5122090200	Diversion Container Replcmnt	916,795	-	-	916,795	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
5122094000	Transf Stn CRC Main Improv	213,000	2,446	-	210,554	170,000	-	-	-	170,000
7401941603	MATC - Facility Upgrades	250,000	81,388	-	168,612	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
2051759702	Phase 1 Profile Management	190,000	95,718	-	94,282	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Total Ongoing Projects with Surplus Funding Available		4,098,914	212,059	221,684	3,665,170	1,144,000	-	-	-	1,144,000
Completed or Cancelled Projects with Surplus Capital Levy Funding										
3381959502	City Hall Digital Sign	125,000	26,963	-	98,037	98,037	-	-	-	98,037
7401851101	Automatic Vehicle Loc Devices	360,000	153,289	297	206,414	206,414	-	-	-	206,414
7401951602	Ice Water Rescue	200,000	118,108	10,321	71,571	71,571	-	-	-	71,571
6731641601	Bed Bug Strategy	1,094,110	854,782	39,205	200,123	200,123	-	-	-	200,123
3381355301	14 DC Study & '15-18 Intensif	864,450	668,972	25,467	170,010	3,933	13,068	153,009	-	170,010
3381855301	Development Charges' Bylaw	985,550	933,125	45,296	7,129	470	243	6,416	-	7,129
3501157102	PeopleSoft Systems-Upgrades	714,165	713,702	-	463	463	-	-	-	463
3621749100	Red Hill Bus Park Signage	187,000	147,338	5,949	33,713	33,713	-	-	-	33,713
3620604600	Secondary plan -AEGD	2,745,440	2,601,631	-	143,809	4,557	-	131,096	8,156	143,809
4041655601	Everyone Rides Initiative Pilo	524,945	523,613	-	1,332	510	-	-	821	1,332
Total Completed or Cancelled Projects with Surplus Capital Levy Funding		7,800,660	6,741,524	126,535	932,601	619,792	13,310	290,522	8,977	932,601
TOTAL		52,102,337	18,277,048	2,168,520	31,656,770	25,103,168	1,830,970	1,970,522	230,939	29,135,600

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Year Approved	ProjectID	Description	Surplus/ (Deficit) (\$)	Reserve	Description	
<u>Projects requiring funds</u>						
2015	4041520525	IPS - Intersection Pedestrian Signal - 2015	(1,000.00)	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2018	4401841001	Cemetery Building Repairs	(20,347.25)	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
			(21,347.25)			
<u>Projects returning funds</u>						
2014	4041457411	Video Detection & It System	44,959.15	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2014	7101454405	RE1403 - 255 Winona Rd School Purchase	179,240.25	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2015	4041514011	New Traffic Signal - Parkside and Hollybush	25,412.12	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2017	4031755019	Lincoln M. Alexander & Red Hill Valley Lighting Study	3,503.83	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2018	4031811020	Main St W Emergency Rd Works	26,877.53	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2018	4401849101	Park Pathway Resurfacing	73.44	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2018	4401849802	Heritage Green Maintenance Building	94.11	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
2019	7641951102	Paramedic Helmet Replacement	25,396.03	108020	Unalloc Capital Levy	
			305,556.46			
Net impact to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve			284,209.21			
<u>Projects requiring funds</u>						
2017	4451751700	2017 Small Equipment Replacement	(3,724.13)	100034	Small Equipment-Env Services	
2017	5181774730	Centre Road Drainage Improvement	(1,760.20)	5169309324	Unalloc Current Funds-Sanitary	
2018	4241809601	AR - Fennell - Sherman to Gage (W6 A/R)	(6,259.20)	4031560999	Closed Projects - Roads	
Net impact to Other Reserves			(11,743.53)			
Total Net impact to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve & Other Reserves			272,465.68			

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UNALLOCATED CAPITAL LEVY RESERVE							
2014	4041457411	Video Detection & It System	1,097,000.00	1,097,000.00	1,052,040.85	44,959.15	95.9%
2014	7101454405	RE1403 - 255 Winona Rd School Purchase	3,572,250.00	3,622,251.00	3,443,010.75	179,240.25	96.4%
2015	4041514011	New Traffic Signal - Parkside and Hollybush	500,000.00	362,763.98	337,351.86	25,412.12	67.5%
2015	4041520525	IPS - Intersection Pedestrian Signal - 2015	177,000.00	176,000.00	177,000.00	(1,000.00)	100.0%
2017	4031755019	Lincoln M. Alexander & Red Hill Valley Parkway Lighting Study	130,000.00	130,000.00	126,496.17	3,503.83	97.3%
2018	4031811020	Main St W Emergency Rd Works	950,000.00	923,122.47	896,244.94	26,877.53	94.3%
2018	4401841001	Cemetery Building Repairs	278,199.00	278,211.75	298,559.00	(20,347.25)	107.3%
2018	4401849101	Park Pathway Resurfacing	295,820.00	295,893.44	295,820.00	73.44	100.0%
2018	4401849802	Heritage Green Maintenance Building	234,000.00	234,005.92	233,911.81	94.11	100.0%
2019	7641951102	Paramedic Helmet Replacement	172,000.00	145,000.00	119,603.97	25,396.03	69.5%
TOTAL FUNDS FROM UNALLOCATED CAPITAL LEVY (10)			7,406,269.00	7,264,248.56	6,980,039.35	284,209.21	94.2%
OTHER PROGRAM SPECIFIC RESERVES							
2017	4451751700	2017 Small Equipment Replacement	60,422.83	60,422.83	64,146.96	(3,724.13)	106.2%
2017	5181774730	Centre Road Drainage Improvement	100,000.00	100,000.00	101,760.20	(1,760.20)	101.8%
2018	4241809601	AR - Fennell - Sherman to Gage (W6 A/R)	800,000.00	800,000.00	806,259.20	(6,259.20)	100.8%
TOTAL FUNDS FROM PROGRAM SPECIFIC RESERVES (3)			960,422.83	960,422.83	972,166.36	(11,743.53)	101%
BORROWED UNALLOCATED CAPITAL LEVY RESERVE							
2015	2051550501	RE1501 - Parkside School Purchase W13	5,034,064.16	3,354,593.41	4,562,893.14	(1,208,299.73)	90.6%
2012	4401256203	RE1200 - Bishop Ryan Partial Purchase	2,036,425.00	1,726,699.70	1,890,438.04	(163,738.34)	92.8%
2014	4401456451	RE1402 - Purchase 178 Hixon	322,582.85	228,124.35	322,582.85	(94,458.50)	100.0%
2015	4401556520	RE1503 - 110 Province St. N Purchase	284,412.73	249,890.17	284,412.73	(34,522.56)	100.0%
2015	4401556521	RE1504 - 124 King St E DU Purchase	250,000.00	132,404.66	236,210.53	(103,805.87)	94.5%
TOTAL FUNDS FROM BORROWED UNALLOCATED CAPITAL LEVY (5)			7,927,484.74	5,691,712.29	7,296,537.29	(1,604,825.00)	92.0%
DELAYED/CANCELLED PROJECTS							
2004	4140446111	Reda Heights	1,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
2007	4140746102	Jackson Heights Phase 3A	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
2018	4031811804	NBHD RD Priorities W4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
TOTAL DELAYED/CANCELLED PROJECTS (3)			10,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
COMPLETED PROJECTS							
Healthy and Safe Communities (Tax Budget)							
Long Term Care Homes							
2013	6301341301	ML-Replace and Refurb	4,596,100.00	4,545,166.03	4,545,166.03	0.00	98.9%
2018	6301851001	ML Replacement of 3 Chillers	666,000.00	525,267.16	525,267.16	0.00	78.9%
2019	6301951005	ML - HVAC Replacement	80,000.00	72,680.59	72,680.59	0.00	90.9%
Hamilton Fire Department							
2018	7401851601	Annual Vehicle Replacement	4,835,000.00	4,614,430.55	4,614,430.55	0.00	95.4%
Hamilton Paramedic Service							
2019	7641951101	Paramedic Service Equipment	265,000.00	209,734.18	209,734.18	0.00	79.1%
2019	7641951104	NICU Ambulance	272,345.00	263,280.60	263,280.60	0.00	96.7%
Planning & Economic Development (Tax Budget)							
Tourism & Culture							
2015	7201555501	Children's Museum Feasibility Study	119,200.00	119,218.02	119,218.02	0.00	100.0%

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2015	7201558504	Steam Museum Building Repairs	133,750.00	133,695.14	133,695.14	0.00	100.0%
2017	7201758700	Art & Monuments Restoration	102,336.75	102,336.75	102,336.75	0.00	100.0%
2017	7201758702	2018 Canadian Country Music Awards	524,400.00	601,313.43	601,313.43	0.00	114.7%
Licensing & By-Law							
2019	4501951900	Licensing-Vehicle Purchases	90,000.00	100,415.45	100,415.45	0.00	111.6%
Real Estate Division							
2017	3621755700	77 Gage Avenue Feasibility Study	115,369.29	1,785,369.29	1,785,369.29	0.00	1547.5%
2017	4401756704	RE1700 - Fruitland Winona	8,652,950.00	8,639,993.30	8,639,993.30	0.00	99.9%
2017	4401756719	RE1704 - 18 Sinclair Crt -PW17006	562,000.00	558,635.02	558,635.02	0.00	99.4%
2018	3561850124	RE1800 - 1610 & 1622 Rymal Rd E	2,883,320.97	2,899,700.52	2,899,700.52	0.00	100.6%
2019	3561950121	RE1901 - 1121, 1183, 1199 North Serv Rd Acq	200,000.00	143,319.64	143,319.64	0.00	71.7%
2019	5161950322	RE1902 - 703 Hwy 8 Stoney Creek	7,644,000.00	7,235,820.36	7,235,820.36	0.00	94.7%
Growth Management							
2004	4030480483	Seabreeze-glover to McNeilly	950,000.00	337,728.53	337,728.53	0.00	35.6%
2007	4030780743	McMaster Ave Urbanization	340,000.00	85,199.13	85,199.13	0.00	25.1%
2011	4141146100	2011 City Share of Servicing Costs	24,086.17	24,086.17	24,086.17	0.00	100.0%
2013	4141351100	Growth Management Vehicles	110,000.00	91,938.27	91,938.27	0.00	83.6%
2014	4031480582	2014 Development Rd Urbanization	500,000.00	500,000.00	500,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2015	4031580582	2015 Development Rd Urbanization	500,000.00	500,000.00	500,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2015	4141546102	Summit Park Phase 8	63,000.00	61,397.92	61,397.92	0.00	97.5%
2017	4141746108	Kaleidoscope Phase 2	126,400.00	123,012.33	123,012.33	0.00	97.3%
2018	4031880853	McClure-Garner Rd-200m Northerly	180,000.00	155,020.32	155,020.32	0.00	86.1%
Public Works (Tax Budget)							
Parks & Cemeteries (Tax Budget)							
2010	4401056002	The Gore Master Plan	3,513,454.39	3,513,359.89	3,513,359.89	0.00	100.0%
2012	5181260214	Parkside/Kipling Stormwater	1,500,000.00	1,365,490.19	1,365,490.19	0.00	91.0%
2016	4401656002	Gore Master Plan Phase 2 (Open Space Development Blk)	1,459,000.00	1,458,463.65	1,458,463.65	0.00	100.0%
2017	4401749107	Park Fencing Program	98,200.00	98,239.80	98,239.80	0.00	100.0%
2017	4401756402	Waterdown S Pk 2 (Agro Pk)	628,997.03	628,997.03	628,997.03	0.00	100.0%
2018	4241809302	AR - Birge Park (AR W3)	175,000.00	173,164.31	173,164.31	0.00	99.0%
2018	4401849007	Cemetery Columbarium	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	4401855600	Parks Testing and Reporting	58,200.00	58,209.30	58,209.30	0.00	100.0%
2019	4241909401	AR - Kenilworth Stairs Fountain (AR W4)	45,000.00	26,081.14	26,081.14	0.00	58.0%
Waterfront (Tax Budget)							
2013	4901355303	Piers 5-8 Parkng & Traffic Study	95,500.00	95,492.58	95,492.58	0.00	100.0%
Forestry & Horticulture							
2015	4241509678	AR - Mountain Brow Vista Study Plan (AR W6)	278,000.00	216,408.74	216,408.74	0.00	77.8%
2017	4451753444	Tree Planting Program	2,001,020.00	2,052,620.00	2,052,620.00	0.00	102.6%
2018	4451853444	Tree Planting Program	1,310,000.00	913,000.00	913,000.00	0.00	69.7%
2018	4451853701	Gypsy Moth Monitoring	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Roads (Tax Budget)							
2017	4031718452	Bridge 452 - Centennial Pkwy, 990m n/o Ridge	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2017	4661720522	Traffic Engineering - Signal Design - 2017	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	4031810005	Major Road Maintenance Program - 2018	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	4031841762	Yard Facility Maintenance & Improvement Program - 2018	208,000.00	208,000.00	208,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	4031849555	QA-QC Service Contract - 2018	133,000.00	133,000.00	133,000.00	0.00	100.0%

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2018	4041817384	Guide Rail Replacement Program - 2018	410,000.00	410,000.00	410,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	4241809802	AR - Sidewalks-Mountable Curbs (W8 A/R)	215,000.00	45,150.22	45,150.22	0.00	21.0%
2018	4661820010	Traffic Signal Modernization & Upgrades Program - 2018	720,000.00	720,000.00	720,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Planning & Economic Development (Rate Budget)							
Growth Management							
2012	5181280286	SWMP SCM9 - Summit Park Ph 7	1,960,000.00	1,774,687.20	1,774,687.20	0.00	90.5%
2012	5181280295	SWMP SM4 - Penny Lane Estates	2,610,000.00	2,603,636.49	2,603,636.49	0.00	99.8%
2014	5181480488	Rymal - Dartnal to Fletcher	660,000.00	460,138.84	460,138.84	0.00	69.7%
2016	5181680090	2016 Annual Storm Water Mngmnt	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Public Works (Rate Budget)							
Waterworks (Rate Budget)							
2010	5141061303	Valve Chamber No 3 First-Isaac	2,790,000.00	2,612,785.58	2,612,785.58	0.00	93.6%
2012	5141267270	Water Control Valve Upgrades	2,860,000.00	2,182,544.57	2,182,544.57	0.00	76.3%
2012	5141267272	Hillcrest Reservoir - HDR02	11,200,000.00	10,804,816.52	10,804,816.52	0.00	96.5%
2015	5141571301	WM Replace Program - Coordinated with Roads - 2015	14,575,000.00	14,359,527.01	14,359,527.01	0.00	98.5%
2016	5141657626	Critical WM Inspection Program - 2016	179,000.00	179,000.00	179,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2017	5141760750	Unscheduled Valve, Hydrant etc - 2017	1,040,000.00	1,040,000.00	1,040,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2017	5141761300	WM Replacement Program - 2017	370,000.00	370,000.00	370,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5141870000	Coordinated Road and Subsurface Works - 2018	4,245,000.00	4,245,000.00	4,245,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5141855556	Mapping Update - 2018	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5141849555	QA-QC Service Contract - 2018	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5141860750	Unscheduled Valve, Hydrant etc - 2018	799,000.00	799,000.00	799,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5141860080	Valve Replacement - 2018	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Wastewater (Rate Budget)							
2013	5161367374	Waterdown Outstation Upgrades	3,360,000.00	3,273,155.06	3,273,155.06	0.00	97.4%
2015	5161567563	HC005 - Public Properties	1,040,000.00	126,459.41	126,459.41	0.00	12.2%
2016	5161662073	Field Data Systems Program - 2016	100,110.00	100,248.37	100,248.37	0.00	100.1%
2017	5161660533	Trenchless Manhole Rehabilitation - 2016	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2017	5161760533	Trenchless Manhole Rehabilitation - 2017	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5161855556	Mapping Update - 2018	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5161849555	QA-QC Service Contract - 2018	110,000.00	96,399.99	96,399.99	0.00	87.6%
2018	5161860522	Sewer Lateral Management Program (WWC) - 2018	4,500,000.00	4,509,356.78	4,509,356.78	0.00	100.2%
2018	5161861740	Unscheduled Manhole & Sewermain - 2018	320,000.00	320,000.00	320,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Storm Water (Rate Budget)							
2015	5181572291	Barton & Hamilton St, Waterdown Storm Sewer Upgrade	320,000.00	317,746.94	317,746.94	0.00	99.3%
2016	5181660533	Trenchless Manhole Rehabilitation - 2016	80,000.00	38,955.32	38,955.32	0.00	48.7%
2017	5181760533	Trenchless Manhole Rehabilitation - 2017	80,000.00	9,366.96	9,366.96	0.00	11.7%
2018	5181817458	Catch Basin Replace/ Rehab Program - 2018	590,000.00	590,000.00	590,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5181855556	Mapping Update - 2018	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5181849555	QA-QC Service Contract - 2018	86,000.00	86,000.00	86,000.00	0.00	100.0%
2018	5181861740	Unscheduled Manhole & Sewermain - 2018	30,000.00	13,777.41	13,777.41	0.00	45.9%
TOTAL COMPLETED PROJECTS (80)			110,275,739.60	106,445,038.00	106,445,038.00	0.00	96.5%
GRAND TOTAL COMPLETED/CANCELLED PROJECTS (101)			126,580,216.17	120,361,421.68	121,693,781.00	(1,332,359.32)	96.1%

CITY OF HAMILTON CAPITAL PROJECTS - INTERNAL LOANS BORROWINGS				
Project ID	Description	Approved Internal Loan Principal (\$)	Amount to be Borrowed (\$)	Revenue Source
Corporate Services				
<i>School and Property Purchases</i>				
2051550501	RE1501 - Parkside School Purchase W13	2,528,293.00	1,208,299.73	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
2051550502*	RE1502 - 155 East 26th Purchase	1,045,500.00	694,928.47	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
4401256203	RE1200 - Bishop Ryan Partial Purchase	664,462.50	163,738.34	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
4401456451	RE1402 - Purchase 178 Hixon	316,798.00	94,458.50	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
4401556520	RE1503 - 110 Province St. N Purchase	62,500.00	34,522.56	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
4401556521	RE1504 - 124 King St E DU Purchase	212,000.00	103,805.87	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
		4,829,553.50	2,299,753.47	
Public Works (Tax Budget)				
<i>Open Space Development</i>				
4401456401**	Parkland - Stadium Precinct	4,218,475.00	2,951,479.52	108020 Unalloc Capital Levy
		4,218,475.00	2,951,479.52	
Project Totals		9,048,028.50	5,251,232.99	

*The total is made up of two loans \$980k and \$65.5k.

**The total is made up of two loans \$2,500k and \$1,718.5k.

Note: These capital projects are being funded from internal City Reserves and the City Reserves will be repaid with interest as internal loans in accordance with Council approved policies.



**PLANNING COMMITTEE
REPORT**

20-004

June 16, 2020

9:30 a.m.

**Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West**

Present: Councillors C. Collins (Acting Chair), J. Farr, J.P. Danko, J. Partridge, M. Pearson, B. Johnson (2nd Vice Chair) and M. Wilson

Absent with Regrets: Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Design Review Panel Mandate Update (PED13137(c)) (City Wide) (Item 6.1)

That the Revised Design Review Panel Mandate, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED13137(c), to facilitate electronic participation and to reflect the 2018 updated Downtown Secondary Plan Boundary changes, be approved.

2. Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee Report 20-002 (Item 6.2)

(i) Effect of Heritage Designations on Property Values in Hamilton (PED20030) (Added Item 7.6)

That Report PED20030 respecting the Effect of Heritage Designations on Property Values in Hamilton, be received for the information of Committee.

(ii) Recommendation to Designate 127 Hughson Street North, Hamilton (Firth Brothers Building) under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act (PED20050) (Ward 2) (Item 9.2)

(a) That the designation of 127 Hughson Street North, Hamilton (Firth Brothers Building), shown in Appendix "A" to Report PED20050, as a property of cultural heritage value pursuant to the provisions of Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, be approved;

- (b) That the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes, attached as Appendix “A” to Report 20-002, be approved;
- (c) That the foyer of the 1929 building located at 127 Hughson Street North, Hamilton (Firth Brothers Building), displays a high degree of artistic merit and is therefore considered to meet the Design and Physical Value Evaluation Criteria under O. Reg 9/06 for craftsmanship or artistic merit;
- (d) That the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes, attached as Appendix “A” to Report 20-002, be amended and approved, to include the following:
 - (i) inclusion of the operation of windows; and,
- (e) That the City Clerk be directed to take appropriate action to designate 127 Hughson Street North, Hamilton (Firth Brothers Building) under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, in accordance with the Notice of Intention to Designate, attached as Appendix “C” to Report PED20050.

3. Fee Review of Personal Transportation Providers (Schedule 24 of the Business Licensing By-law 07-170) (PED20104) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

- (a) That the fee structure for the licensing of Personal Transportation Providers (PTP), specifically remove Class A, Class B and Class C fees as well as the lump sum Voluntary Accessibility Payment, and impose a new PTP Licensing Fee in the amount of \$5,000 annually and increase the PTP Licensing Per Trip Fee to \$0.30 per trip, to be paid quarterly, effective immediately;
- (b) That subject to the approval of Recommendation (a) the amending by-law attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED20104 which deletes references to Class A, Class B, and Class C, and which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted and effective immediately;
- (c) That subject to the approval of Recommendation (a) Schedule A of the City of Hamilton User Fees and Charges By-law 19-160 be amended accordingly.

4. Fence By-law Appeal Process (PED20106) (City Wide) (Item 9.2)

That Report PED20106 respecting Fence By-law Appeal Process, be received.

5. Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a)) (City Wide) (Item 9.3)

- (a) That Council direct the City Clerk and Director of Planning and Chief Planner to proceed with scheduling Statutory Public Meetings of Planning Committee, Committee of Adjustment hearings, and meetings of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee including Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville Heritage Conservation District Advisory Committee and Heritage Permit Review Sub-Committee;
- (b) That the By-law to Amend By-law No. 18-270, the Council Procedural By-law, attached as Appendix “D” to Report PED20108(a), be enacted by Council; and,
- (c) That the By-law to Amend By-law No. 07-300, Delegation of Consent Authority and Constituting a Committee of Adjustment, attached as Appendix “E” to Report PED20108(a), be enacted by Council.

6. Parking Problems on Mill Street South at Grindstone Creek (Item 10.1)

WHEREAS, City Council, on April 10, 2019, approved a Special Enforcement Area pilot utilizing increased parking fines (\$200 early payment/\$250 set penalty) and increased parking enforcement in the Greenville Waterfall area;

WHEREAS, it is apparent that the Special Enforcement pilot has resulted in noticeable improvements during the Spring and Summer months in the Greenville Waterfall area; and,

WHEREAS, significant public safety concerns are being created by illegal parking during peak times during the Spring and Summer months on both sides of Mill Street South in the vicinity of Grindstone Creek;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That By-Law 01-218 (being a By-Law to Regulate On-Street Parking) and By-Law 17-225 (being a By-Law to Establish a System of Administrative Penalties) be amended to include Mill Street South from 70m south of Griffin Street to Mountain Brow Road in the Special Enforcement pilot area.

7. **Appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) for Lack of Decision on Zoning By-law Amendment Application ZAA-18-053 for Lands Located at 2282 Westbrook Road (LS19044) (Glanbrook) (Ward 11) (Item 13.1)**
- (a) That recommendations (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) contained in Report LS19044, be approved;
 - (b) That recommendations (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) contained in Report LS19044, and the appendices thereto, remain confidential until made public as the City's position before the LPAT; and,
 - (c) That the balance of Report LS19044 remain confidential.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

1. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

- 4.4 Correspondence from West End Home Builders' Association respecting Item 9.3, Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a))
- 4.5 Correspondence from Environment Hamilton respecting Item 9.3, Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a))
- 4.6 Correspondence from T. Johns Consulting Group, respecting Item 9.3, Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a))

2. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 12)

- 12.2 Appointment of 1st Vice Chair

The agenda for the June 16, 2020 meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None declared.

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

(i) February 18, 2020 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the February 18, 2020 meeting were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

(i) Anthony Longo respecting 2070 Rymal Road East (Item 4.1)

The letter from Anthony Longo respecting 2070 Ryman Road East, was received.

(ii) Aly Livingston respecting Urban Hens Pilot Project (Item 4.2) and Jessica Hodgins respecting Urban Hens (Item 4.3)

The letters from Aly Livingston and Jessica Hodgins respecting Urban Hens, were received.

(iii) Correspondence respecting Item 9.3, Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a)) (Added Items 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6)

The following correspondence respecting Statutory Meetings During the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency (PED20108(a)) (Item 9.3), were received and referred to the consideration of Item 9.3:

1. West End Home Builders' Association (Added Item 4.4)
2. Environment Hamilton (Added Item 4.5)
3. T. Johns Consulting Group (Added Item 4.6)

(e) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 12)

(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 12.1)

The following changes to the Outstanding Business List, were approved:

(a) Items to be Removed:

18J - Prohibit Driving School Instruction in Restricted Areas
(Sent as Information Update on April 14, 2020)

18N - Dedicated Mohawk College Parking Enforcement
(Addressed as Item 10.3 on the February 18th agenda)

19K - Effect of Heritage Designations on Property Values in
Hamilton
(Addressed as Item 10.1 on the February 18th agenda)

19M - Amendments to Nuisance By-law No. 09-110 respecting
Cannabis Growing Operations
(Addressed at April 22, 2020 Council meeting)

19T - EV Chargers in Hamilton Municipal Parking System Lots
(PED18250(a))
(Addressed as Item 10.7 on the March 20, 2020 General Issues
Committee agenda)

19W - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in New Developments –
direction (b)
(Addressed as Item 10.7 on the March 20, 2020 General Issues
Committee agenda)

19AA - Fencing By-law Appeal Process
(Addressed as Item 9.2 on this agenda)

(b) Items Requiring New Due Dates:

18I - Designation of 378 Main Street East
Current Due Date: November 5, 2019
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

18M - Designation of 828 Sanitorium Road, Hamilton
Current Due Date: November 5, 2019
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

19B - Modifications and Updates to the City of Hamilton Zoning By-
law No. 05-200 (PED19029)
Current Due Date: October 15, 2019
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

19G - Residential Care Facilities and Group Homes (Urban Area) -
Human Rights and the Zoning By-law Discussion Paper (CI 19-B)
(PED19091)
Current Due Date: January 14, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

19J - Zoning By-law Amendment for 1400 Baseline Road
Current Due Date: November 19, 2019
Proposed New Due Date: November 17, 2020

19P - Corporate Policy for Official Planning Notification During Mail Strikes
Current Due Date: November 19, 2019
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

19U - Heritage Designation Process and Delegated Authority to Consent to Heritage Permits
Current Due Date: TBD
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

19FF - Support of Private Member's Bill to Reverse Pit Bull Ban in Ontario
Current Due Date: TBD
Proposed New Due Date: December 8, 2020

(ii) Appointment of 1st Vice Chair of the Planning Committee (Added Item 12.2)

Councillor Danko was appointed as 1st Vice Chair of the Planning Committee.

(f) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 13)

The Committee determined they did not need to move into Closed Session for the following item:

(i) Appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) for Lack of Decision on Zoning By-law Amendment Application ZAA-18-053 for Lands Located at 2282 Westbrook Road (LS19044) (Glanbrook) (Ward 11)

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 7.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)

There being no further business, the Planning Committee was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Councillor Chad Collins
Acting Chair, Planning Committee

Lisa Chamberlain
Legislative Coordinator



BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 20-003

1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

**Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall**

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger
Councillors M. Wilson (Vice-Chair), J. Farr, N. Nann, S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson, E. Pauls, J.P. Danko, B. Clark, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, and J. Partridge

**Absent with
Regrets:** T. Whitehead - Personal

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 20-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Communications (Items 5.1 to 5.3)

That the following Communications be endorsed:

- (i) Correspondence from the Peterborough Public Health Unit respecting Provincial Leadership in Monitoring Food Affordability and Food Insecurity (Item 5.1)
- (ii) Correspondence from the Simcoe Muskoka Health Unit respecting Basic Income during Covid-19 Pandemic (Item 5.2)
- (iii) Correspondence from the Simcoe Muskoka Health Unit respecting Cannabis Consumption Establishment and Special Occasion Permits (Item 5.3)

2. Year-End Public Health Services Performance Report (BOH20009) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That Report BOH20009 respecting the Year-End Public Health Services Performance Report, be received.

3. Public Health Services COVID-19 Response and Program Reopening (BOH20011) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

That Report BOH20011 respecting Public Health Services COVID-19 Response and Program Reopening, be received.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

There were no ceremonial activities.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

The Committee Clerk advised the Board of the following changes:

COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

5.5 Correspondence from Dr. Nicola Mercer, Medical Officer of Health, respecting the Issue an Order under Section 22 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act to Ensure Public Safety

The agenda for the June 16, 2020 Board of Health were approved, as amended.

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) February 21, 2020 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the February 21, 2020 meeting of the Board of Health were approved, as presented.

(e) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

The following Communications were received:

- (i) Correspondence from the Timiskaming Health Unit respecting a Health Consultation for a new Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy (Item 5.4)
- (ii) Correspondence from Dr. Nicola Mercer, Medical Officer of Health, respecting the Issue an Order under Section 22 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act to Ensure Public Safety (Added Item 5.5)

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Public Health Services COVID-19 Response and Program Reopening (BOH20011) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

Dr. Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, addressed the Board with an overview of the Public Health Services COVID-19 Response and Program Reopening (BOH20011), with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation respecting the Public Health Services COVID-19 Response and Program Reopening (BOH20011), was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

The presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca and through the Office of the City Clerk.

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)

The following Due Dates were revised:

2019-H: Hamilton Millennial Survey Study – Employment Precarity April 15, 2019, 19-004 (Item 8.1)

Due Date: Jun-20

Revised Due Date: January 2021

2020-A: Public Health Services' Procurement and Purchase of a Dental Services Bus

January 13, 2020: 20-001 (Item 11.1)

Due Date: n/a

Revised Due Date: June 2020

2020-E: City of Hamilton Licensing (No. 07-170) By-law Schedule 20 Residential Care Facilities Inspections (BOH20005) (City Wide)

January 13, 2020, 20-001 (Item 14.1)

Due Date: April 2020

Revised Due Date: September 2020

2020-G: Implementation of a By-Law to Regulate the Smoking of Non-Tobacco Combustible Substances in Public Places and Work Places Due Date: Jun 15, 2020

Revised Due Date: September 2020

2020-H: Hamilton Drug Strategy Year End Report (BOH20006) (City Wide) February 23, 2020, 20-002 (Item 7.1)

Due Date: n/a
Revised Due Date: December 2020

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the Board of Health adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger
Chair, Board of Health

Loren Kolar
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT 20-004

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors J.P. Danko (Chair), S. Merulla (Vice-Chair), C. Collins, J. Farr, L. Ferguson, T. Jackson, N. Nann, E. Pauls, M. Pearson, A. VanderBeek and T. Whitehead

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Citizen Committee Report respecting the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee's Terms of Reference (Item 5.3)

That the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee Terms of Reference, attached to Public Works Committee Report 20-004 as Appendix "A", be approved.

2. Citizen Committee Report respecting the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee's Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant Program Guidelines (Item 5.4)

That the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee's Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant Program Guidelines, attached to Public Works Committee Report 20-004 as Appendix "B", be approved.

3. Intersection Control List (PW20001(a)) (Wards 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 15) (Item 5.6)

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
Section "A" Ancaster						
(a)	Briar Hill Crescent (north intersection)	Broad Leaf Crescent	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(b)	Stonegate Drive	Briar Hill Crescent	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(c)	Deervalley Road	Green Ravine Drive	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(d)	Briar Hill Crescent (south intersection)	Broad Leaf Crescent	NB/SB	NB/SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(e)	Cottonwood Court	Highvalley Road	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(f)	Longfield Crescent	Broad Leaf Crescent	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(g)	Marigold Court	Longfield Crescent	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(h)	Briar Hill Crescent	Longfield Crescent	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(i)	Bailey Ave	Haig Road	EB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(j)	Haig Road	Massey Drive	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(k)	Alexander Road	Massey Drive	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
(l)	Mewburn Road	Alexander Road	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop 12
Section "B" Dundas						
(m)	Knollwood	Ridgewood	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping 13

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
	Court	d Boulevard			– no stop control		
(n)	Zeldin Place	Ridgewood Boulevard	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(o)	Elizabeth Court	Highland Park Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(p)	Ivy Court	Ann Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(q)	Queen Street	Victoria Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(r)	Vilma Avenue	Shirley Street	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(s)	Vilma Avenue	David Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(t)	Rita Street	Vilma Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(u)	Rita Street	Bertram Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(v)	Shirley Street	Bertram Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(w)	Bertram Drive	David Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(x)	Barrie Street	Bertram Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(y)	Adelaide Avenue	Desjardin Avenue	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(z)	Normandy Place	Bertram Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop	13

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
					control		
(aa)	Hilltop Place	Edenbridge Court	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ab)	Glen Court	Pleasant Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ac)	Valleyview Court	Pleasant Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ad)	Applewood Court	Pleasant Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ae)	Monarch Court	Kings Gate	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(af)	Rhodes Court	Turnbull Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ag)	Whitfield Court	Turnbull Road	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ah)	Four Winds Place	Autumn Leaf Road	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ai)	Crystal Court	Autumn Leaf Road	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(aj)	Moonglow Place	Sunrise Crescent	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ak)	Maid Marion Street	Sherwood Rise	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(al)	Maid Marion Street	Robinhood Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(am)	Ancaster Street East	East Street South	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(an)	Soble Place	Golfview Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop	13

	Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
	Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
						control	
(ao)	Linda Court	Marion Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(ap)	Janis Court	Marion Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
(aq)	Yorkview Place	Cammay Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	13
Section “C” Flamborough							
(ar)	Agro Street	Skinner Road	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(as)	Mountain Heights Place	Agro Street	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(at)	Great Falls Boulevard	Agro Street	NC	WB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(au)	Great Falls Boulevard	Skinner Road	NC	NB	C	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(av)	McDonough Gardens	Agro Street	NC	EB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(aw)	Westfield Crescent (north intersection)	Agro Street	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(ax)	Westfield Crescent (south intersection)	Agro Street	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(ay)	Avanti Crescent	Agro Street	NC	EB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(az)	Kenesky Drive	Agro Street	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(ba)	Kenesky Drive	Burke Street	NC	EB/WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bb)	Kenesky Drive	Ebenezer Drive	NC	EB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bc)	Granite Ridge Trail	Kenesky Drive	NC	NB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bd)	Granite	Ebenezer	NC	EB/WB	A	Plan of New	15

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
	Ridge Trail Drive				Subdivision		
(be)	Granite Ridge Trail	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB/SB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bf)	Ebenezer Drive	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	SB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bg)	Ebenezer Drive	Skinner Road	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bh)	Sealey Avenue	Granite Ridge Trail	NC	NB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bi)	Sealey Avenue	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB/SB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bj)	Sealey Avenue	Elstone Place	NC	SB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bk)	Frontier Trail	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bl)	Edworthy Gardens	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bm)	Edworthy Gardens	Elstone Place	NC	SB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bn)	Elstone Place	Frontier Trail	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bo)	Zimmerman Gardens	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bp)	Zimmerman Gardens	Elstone Place	NC	SB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(bq)	Trailbank Gardens	Skinner Road	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(br)	Trailbank Gardens	Great Falls	NC	SB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
		Boulevard				
(bs)	Hager Creek Terrace	Trailbank Gardens	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bt)	Hager Creek Terrace	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	EB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bu)	Silver Meadow Gardens	Trailbank Gardens	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bv)	Silver Meadow Gardens	Hager Creek Terrace	NC	NB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bw)	Cattail Crescent (west intersection)	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bx)	Cattail Crescent (east intersection)	Great Falls Boulevard	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(by)	Valley Trail Place	Mallard Trail	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(bz)	Humphrey Street	Mallard Trail	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(ca)	Humphrey Street	Skinner Road	NC	SB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(cb)	Grierson Trail	Humphrey Street	NC	NB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(cc)	Grierson Trail	Skinner Road	NC	SB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(cd)	Holcomb Terrace	Humphrey Street	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(ce)	Holcomb Terrace	Skinner Road	NC	SB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(cf)	Pond View Gate	Skinner Road	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision 15
(cg)	Pond View Gate	Smokey Hollow Place	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision 15

Intersection			Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(ch)	Smokey Hollow Place	Pond View Gate	NC	EB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(ci)	Gardenbrook Trail	Pond View Gate	NC	WB	A	Plan of New Subdivision	15
(cj)	Gardenbrook Trail	Skinner Road	NC	NB	B	Plan of New Subdivision	15
Section "E" Hamilton							
(ck)	Aylett Street	Mapes Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	1
(cl)	Bartlett Avenue	Allison Crescent	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(cm)	Angelina Place	Regent Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(cn)	Ottaviano Drive	McIntosh Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(co)	Vista Court	Horizon Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(cp)	Harvard Place	Falkirk Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(cq)	Bordeaux Court	Republic Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(cr)	Montebello Court	Bastille Street	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(cs)	Anita Court	Acadia Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(ct)	Osgoode Court	Presidio Drive	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	6
(cu)	Nina Court	Ironwood Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6

Intersection			Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(cv)	Villa Court	Anna Capri Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(cw)	Tuna Court	Tunbridge Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(cx)	Elodia Court	Susan Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(cy)	Glebe Court	Gillard Street	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(cz)	Gillard Street	Gardiner Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(da)	Elsa Court	Greendale Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(db)	Piper Place	Fiona Crescent	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(dc)	Fontana Court	Springvale Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(dd)	Saint Anthony Place	Springvale Crescent	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(de)	Eric Burke Court	Theodore Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(df)	Northstar Court	Milky Way Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(dg)	Morningstar Court	Milky Way Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(dh)	Hugo Court	Darlington Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(di)	Valery Court	Bonaventure Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
(dj)	Waldorf Court	Parkwood Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 7
(dk)	Fontainbleu Court	Parkwood Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 7
(dl)	Bogart Court	Billington Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dm)	Boon Court	Billington Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dn)	Rapallo Drive	Anson Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(do)	Rapallo Drive	Gatineau Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dp)	Weston Court	Anson Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dq)	Lamb Court	Larch Street	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dr)	Mansion Court	Locheed Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(ds)	Ranko Court	Artistic Boulevard	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(dt)	Bosna Court	Summerlea Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 6
(du)	Bethany Court	Balfour Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 14
(dv)	Gleneagles Drive	Auchmar Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 8
(dw)	Gleneagles Drive	Braemar Place	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 8

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(dx)	Andrew Court	Hoover Crescent	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(dy)	Wingate Place	Warren Avenue	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(dz)	Camille Court	Grenadier Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ea)	Marvin Court	Grenadier Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(eb)	Barnett Court	Grenadier Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ec)	Symon Place	Hardale Crescent	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ed)	Ferrara Street	Wise Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ef)	Elva Court	King's Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(eg)	Sandra Court	King's Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(eh)	Tilbury Court	King's Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ei)	Filer Court	King's Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ej)	Cecilia Court	King's Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(ek)	Burns Place	East 38 th Street	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(el)	Patricia Place	East 38 th Street	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(em)	Donlea Drive	Valecrest Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(en)	Valecrest Avenue	Elmhurst Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(eo)	Henry Street	New Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	1
(ep)	Edison Street	New Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	1
(eq)	Roseland Avenue	Blake Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	3
(er)	Troy Avenue	Tate Avenue	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	4
(es)	Troy Avenue	Dunn Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	4
(et)	Admiral Place	MacLaren Avenue	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	4
(eu)	Keats Road	Gainsborough Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ev)	Keats Road	Old Orchard Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ew)	Kelvin Court	Old Orchard Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ex)	Scott Street	Gainsborough Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ey)	Blueberry Drive	Strawberry Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ez)	Fairholme Court	Highridge Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(fa)	Talia Court	Janet Court	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fb)	Duchess Court	Oakland Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fc)	Kings Court	Oakland Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fd)	Queens Court	Oakland Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fe)	Lady Court	Kenora Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ff)	Lord Court	Kenora Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fg)	Hart Place	Crawford Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fh)	Redwood Court	Woodman Drive North	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fi)	Sandlyn Court	Nugent Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fj)	Capilano Drive	Country Club Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fk)	Alto Drive	Country Club Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fl)	Rio Court	Alto Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fm)	Renis Court	Sherry Lane Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fn)	Zell Court	Sherry Lane Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(fo)	Sherry Lane Drive	Hildegard Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fp)	Venus Court	Hildegard Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fq)	Monte Court	Monte Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fr)	Tracey Place	Blanche Court	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fs)	Burbank Place	Carene Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ft)	Bryant Court	Robroy Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fu)	Laura Court	Woodman Drive South	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fv)	Colonial Court	Rainbow Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fw)	Isaac Court	Rainbow Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fx)	Birkdale Place	Montmorncy Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fy)	Marantha Place	Montmorncy Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(fz)	Renner Court	Brookstream Court	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ga)	Forest Hill Crescent	Glen Vista Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(gb)	Peace Court	Forest Hill Crescent	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
(gc)	Glen Castle Drive	Forest Hill Crescent	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gd)	Glenmurray Court	Glen Castle Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(ge)	Glencannon Drive	Glen Castle Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gf)	Glendora Court	Glen Forest Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gg)	Palmerston Place	St. Andrews Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gh)	Sunbrite Court	Glen Park Court	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gi)	Jennifer Court	St. Andrews Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gj)	Chardonnay Street	Webster Road	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gk)	Cherryridge Close	Cherryridge Close	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gl)	Calvert Avenue	Garland Place	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gm)	Cavalier Court	Nugent Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gn)	Hounslow Court	Kentley Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(go)	Ilford Court	Kentley Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5
(gp)	Jason Court	Prins Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control 5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(gq)	Dorset Place	Edgevale Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	1
(gr)	Dungannon Place	Monteagle Court	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(gs)	Windstar Place	Gilcrest Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(gt)	Argon Court	Glenhaven Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(gu)	Lantana Court	Cranbrook Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(gv)	Sonesto Court	Trevi Road	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	14
(gw)	Mirella Court	Christopher Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(gx)	Seagram Place	Nova Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(gy)	Lambert Street	Lesterwood Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(gz)	Lambert Street	Bellingham Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(ha)	Lisa Court	Lawnhurst Drive	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	7
(hb)	Irving Place	Mulock Avenue	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hc)	Irving Place	Sunning Hill Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hd)	Mulock Avenue	Rendell Boulevard	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(he)	Green Meadow Road	Sunning Hill Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hf)	Nancy Street	Sunning Hill Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hg)	Quinlan Court	Quaker Crescent	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hh)	Raleigh Court	Raleigh Street	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	6
(hi)	Galloway Court	Golden Orchard Drive	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(hj)	Granby Court	Golden Orchard Drive	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	8
(hk)	Starling Drive	Bobolink Road	NC	NB	A	New development	7
(hl)	Starling Drive	Hummingbird Lane	NC	WB	A	New development	7
(hm)	Beach Road	Birmingham Street	SB	All	A	Converting to all-way stop – Clr approved	3
Section “F” Stoney Creek							
(hn)	Calvert Avenue	Alpine Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ho)	Kingswood Drive	Ashwood Court	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	10
(hp)	Vivian Street	Glenview Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hq)	Burwell Avenue	Canterbury Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hr)	Canterbury Avenue	Dale Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(hs)	Wyngate Court	Wyngate Avenue	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(ht)	Wyngate Avenue	Alba Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hu)	Battlefield Drive	Alba Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hv)	Lakeside Drive	Jones Road	NC	EB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	10
(hw)	James Place	James Avenue	NC	NB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hx)	Faircourt Place	Faircourt Drive	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	5
(hy)	Ada Court	Ainsworth Street	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	9
(hz)	Lyngate Court	Gerald Crescent	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	9
(ia)	Dolman Street	Isidore Place	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	9
(ib)	Slinger Crescent	Slinger Avenue	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	9
(ic)	Byron Avenue	Aubrey Avenue	EB	EB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	9
(id)	Redwood Court	Teak Street	NC	SB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	10
(ie)	Vanderwood Court	Teak Street	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(if)	Lindsay Court	Oakridge Drive	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(ig)	Southmeado w Crescent	Pine Drive	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(ih)	Southmeado w Court	Maple Drive	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(ii)	Pecan Court	Salina Place	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(ij)	Seville Court	Midway Street	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(ik)	Vega Crescent	Morello Place	EB	EB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(il)	Greening Avenue	Juniper Drive	EB	EB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(im)	Eastbury Drive (east intersection)	Basswood Court	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(in)	Glenholme Avenue	Bel-Air Avenue	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	10
(io)	Helena Avenue	Rosepark Avenue	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping – no stop control	10
(ip)	Cherrywood Drive	Piott Court	EB	EB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(iq)	Berkley Place	Terrace Drive	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(ir)	Gemma Court	Mountain Avenue North	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(is)	First Street North	Galbraith Drive	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(it)	Galbraith Drive	Avalon Avenue	NB/SB	NB/SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5

Intersection		Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward	
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
(iu)	Brandow Court	Second Street North	WB	WB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(iv)	Grande Avenue	Pleasant Avenue	NB	NB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(iw)	Grande Avenue	Orlanda Road	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(ix)	Alpine Avenue	Orlanda Road	SB	SB	A	Housekeeping – replacing Yield with Stop	5
(iy)	Bayonne Drive	Picardy Drive	NC	WB	B	New subdivision, Clr approved	9
(iz)	Talence Drive	Picardy Drive	NC	WB	B	New subdivision, Clr approved	9
(ja)	Chaumont Drive	Lormont Boulevard	NC	NB	A	New subdivision, Clr approved	9

Legend

No Control Existing (New Subdivision) - **NC**

Intersection Class: **A** - Local/Local **B** - Local/Collector **C** - Collector/Collector

4. HSR TransCab – In-House Bid Update (PW19071(a)) (Wards 5, 10 and 11) (Item 5.7)

That Report PW19071(a), respecting the HSR TransCab – In-House Bid Update, be received.

5. Clean and Green Hamilton Strategy 2019 Year-End Update (PW20030) (City Wide) (Item 5.8)

That Report PW20030, respecting the Clean and Green Hamilton Strategy 2019 Year-End Update, be received.

6. Cost Recovery Using Funding Methodology for Municipal Infrastructure Extensions Policy - Owner Initiated Sanitary Sewer on Hopkins Court, Hamilton (PW20021) (Ward 13) (Item 5.9)

- (a) That pursuant to the City of Hamilton's "Funding Methodology for Municipal Infrastructure Extensions Policy", a full cost recovery mechanism be implemented in order to recover, for the City of Hamilton ("City"), at an estimated cost of \$215,131.09 for the construction of a municipal sanitary sewer on the following terms and conditions:
 - (i) The cost of the construction of the municipal sanitary sewer is to be collected from the benefitting property owners, as attached to Public Works Committee Report 20-004 as Appendix "C", and shall be payable immediately following the completion of construction;
 - (ii) The municipal sanitary sewer will be constructed on Hopkins Court from York Road to Ernest Street;
 - (iii) The cost of the construction of the sanitary sewer will include the cost of main sewer and one (1) sanitary lateral to each benefitting property from the sanitary sewer to the property line;
- (b) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to prepare the necessary full cost recovery by-law to implement subsection;
- (c) That the City Solicitor be authorized to complete the transaction on behalf of the City, including paying any necessary expenses, amending the closing, due diligence and other dates, and amending and waiving terms and conditions on such terms as the City Solicitor considers reasonable; and,
- (d) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

7. Windemere Road Ownership (PW20032/PED20114) (Ward 10) (Item 5.10)

That the City deny the petition for the City to takeover the ownership and maintenance of the Lane known as Windemere Road (East) from the Hamilton Conservation Authority and a private owner and to not dedicate the private lane as a public highway under the Municipal Act.

8. Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That staff be directed to implement the New Real Time Public Notice Protocol for Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting.

**9. Postponement of Year 5 of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy (PW14015(c))
(City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

- (a) That staff be directed to postpone the implementation of Year 5 within the Council approved 10 Year Local Transit Strategy by one year to September 2021;
- (b) That staff report back to the Public Works Committee during the 2021 Transit Budget with a report on the ridership, revenue and service impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic and post-COVID-19 pandemic recovery periods; and,
- (c) That staff report back to the Public Works Committee during the 2021 Transit Budget with a report that re-evaluates the financial plan for the remaining Years of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy.

**10. COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan (PED20100/PW20034) (City Wide)
(Item 7.3)**

- (a) That staff be directed to implement improvements to the City's existing cycling network focused on locations that can help capture trips normally accommodated on transit but that may be lost due to transit capacity shortfalls, including:
 - (i) Implement enhanced physical separations on existing bike lanes at key locations, such as intersections, including:
 - (1) Dundurn Street (Ward 1);
 - (2) Lawrence Road (Wards 3 and 4);
 - (3) Gage Avenue (Ward 3);
 - (4) Stone Church/Paramount (Wards 6, 7, 8 and 9);
 - (5) Parkside Drive (Ward 15); and,
 - (6) other existing bike lane locations that may be identified in consultation with the Ward Councillor;
 - (ii) Implement new bike lanes or multi-use pathways in the following locations:
 - (1) Studholme Avenue (Ward 1);
 - (2) Longwood Road (Ward 1);
 - (3) Victoria Avenue between Cannon Street and Barton Street (Ward 3); and,
 - (4) Mount Albion Road (Ward 5);
 - (iii) Develop a design and implementation plan and report back to the Public Works Committee for a new bike lane or multi-use pathway

on King Street utilizing the north-side lane between Breadalbane Street and Locke Street (Ward 1);

- (b) That staff, in consultation with Ward Councillors on specific locations, implement temporary traffic calming measures and signage on select residential streets that have been identified in the Cycling Master Plan as signed bike routes, in order to help to reduce traffic speeds and discourage through traffic in order to improve safety of cycling in mixed traffic;
- (c) That staff consult with the Ward Councillor and, where applicable, Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) or adjacent businesses, to review the feasibility of temporarily removing rush hour parking restrictions in the following locations, and where appropriate, utilize the provisions of Section 8 (4) of By-law No. 01-218 pertaining to temporary parking regulations, to remove the rush hour restrictions and/or no parking restrictions in order to provide for additional on-street parking capacity and pick-up/delivery capacity to support local businesses:
 - (i) Barton Street, approximately between James Street and Ottawa Street (Wards 2 and 3);
 - (ii) John Street, approximately between King Street and Rebecca Street (Ward 2);
 - (iii) Catharine Street, approximately between Hunter Street and Main Street (Ward 2);
 - (iv) Ottawa Street, approximately between Main Street and Barton Street (Wards 3 and 4);
 - (v) Upper James North of Fennell Avenue (Ward 8); and,
 - (vi) Select locations on King Street approximately between Wellington Street and Gage Avenue (Wards 3 and 4);
- (d) That staff consult with the local Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) and the appropriate Ward Councillor to identify and implement the establishment of short-term pick-up and delivery zones created by re-allocating existing parking spaces in locations that will assist local businesses;
- (e) That staff consult with the local Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) and the appropriate Ward Councillor to identify locations for additional, metered on-street parking spaces that will provide additional parking to assist local businesses;
- (f) That staff leverage existing Smart Commute employer networks to assist employers with long-term telework (or remote work) planning and return-to-work plans, taking into account, potential transportation constraints such as transit capacity; and,

- (g) That all costs associated with the implementation of changes to on-street parking, which primarily consists of temporary signage and changes to meters, be funded from Parking Reserve No. 108021 with an upset limit of \$50,000.

11. The City of Hamilton Annual Collision Report – 2019 Statistics and Trends (PW20035) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That Report PW20035, respecting The City of Hamilton Annual Collision Report – 2019 Statistics and Trends, be received.

12. Red Hill Valley Parkway Corridor Analysis (PW20036) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That Report PW20036, respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway Corridor Analysis, be received.

13. Red Hill Valley Parkway Resurfacing Project Recap (PW20038) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

That Report PW20038, respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway Resurfacing Project Recap, be received.

14. Making Upper James Street More Pedestrian Friendly (PW20010/PED20077) (Ward 8) (Item 8.4)

- (a) That the following existing traffic signal equipment on Upper James Street be decommissioned and replaced with signal equipment at new locations, to cost approximately \$500,000, subject to funding approved through the 2021 Capital Budget:
 - (i) Upper James Street at Brantdale Avenue Signal decommissioned and replaced by a full signal at Upper James Street at Brucedale Avenue;
 - (ii) Intersection Pedestrian Signal on Upper James Street at Churchill Avenue/ Duff Street be decommissioned and replaced by a full traffic signal on Upper James Street at Queensdale Avenue; and,
 - (iii) Upper James Street at Brantdale Avenue red light camera removed and relocated to a new location as determined and funded through the Red Light Camera program, at an estimated cost of \$25,000;
- (b) That seasonal planter boxes be installed along sections of Upper James Street north of Fennell Avenue at an estimated capital cost of \$16,000 (with an operating impact of \$6,000 per year), subject to location selection and approval of funding through the 2021 Capital and Operating Budget process; and,

- (c) That Planning and Economic Development staff initiate studies to complete a functional design and associated business case for the A-Line Priority Bus Corridor and ultimate Bus Rapid Transit Corridor at a cost of \$550,000, to be funded from Project ID 5301784707, and as part of this design, consider more extensive pedestrian and streetscape improvements.

15. Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (LINC) and Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) Mobility Feasibility Study (PED20063/PW18008(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

That Report PED20063/PW18008(b), respecting the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (LINC) and Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) Mobility Feasibility Study, be received.

16. Traffic Camera Feed Sharing (PW20031) (City Wide) (Item 8.6)

That the General Manager of Public Works or designate be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, any agreements necessary to formalize a partnership between the City of Hamilton and local news media agencies to provide passive access to traffic camera video feeds, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

17. Powell Park Tree Planting (Ward 3) (Item 9.1)

WHEREAS, the utility company (Hydro One) has determined that four public Norway Maple trees require removal within Powell Park due to their proximity to the overhead utility; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Ward 3 would like to replace the loss of canopy due to the removal of the 4 Norway Maple trees and enhance the landscape of Powell Park with seven large caliper shade trees to be implemented by the Forestry Section of the City of Hamilton;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the supply and installation of seven 80mm shade trees to the existing landscape of Powell Park at a cost of \$8,000 be funded from the Ward 3 Area Rating Discretionary account (3301909300);
- (b) That consultation with residents of Ward 3 will take place prior to the placement of seven 80mm shade trees in Powell Park; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

18. North Central Park Pedestrian Lighting Improvements (Ward 3) (Item 9.2)

WHEREAS, North Central Park is an active community park in Ward 3, with pathways that promote active transportation through the community;

WHEREAS, pedestrian pathway lighting exists in the majority of this park, supporting commuters and park users; and,

WHEREAS, the northwestern area of the park pathway is not currently lit, and park users would benefit with the addition of pedestrian pathway lighting;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$20,000 be allocated from the Ward 3 Area Rating Reserve #108053, to implement new pedestrian pathway lighting along the northwestern pathway of the Park; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

19. Bartonville Cemetery Fencing Improvements (Ward 4) (Item 9.3)

WHEREAS, Bartonville Cemetery, located at 2001 King Street East, provides an interment and memorial gathering space for Hamilton residents;

WHEREAS, the existing decorative wrought iron fencing has reached its end of life and has deteriorated beyond repair; and,

WHEREAS, the replacement of this fencing is beyond the Cemetery Section's capital budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$96,000 of funding be allocated from the Ward 4 Area Rating Reserve #108054, to implement the replacement of new decorative steel fencing along the perimeter of Bartonville Cemetery; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

20. R.T. Steele Park Redevelopment (Ward 4) (Item 9.4)

WHEREAS, the R.T. Steele Park playground structure is at end of life and requires replacement in the near future;

WHEREAS, the park requires review to ensure that it is meeting the needs of the neighbourhood; and,

WHEREAS, the Ward Councillor has determined this park is a priority for improvement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to set up a new project id for the R.T. Steele park redevelopment project, and fund \$60,000 for design work in 2020 from the Ward 4 capital reserve 108054;
- (b) That staff be directed to include construction costs for the R.T. Steele park for consideration in the 2021 capital program, to be funded from the Ward 4 capital reserve 108054; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

21. Sidewalk Repairs and Rolled Curb Replacements (Ward 5) (Item 9.5)

- (a) That \$40,000 be allocated to sidewalk repairs and rolled curb replacements in Ward 5, and that the capital works be funded by utilizing the Ward 5 – 2020 Area Rating Reserve (#108055); and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

22. Corktown Park Basketball Court Improvements (Ward 2) (Item 9.6)

WHEREAS, a single existing basketball court is located on the City of Hamilton Corktown Park lands at 175 Ferguson Avenue South;

WHEREAS, the basketball court was constructed and maintained by the City of Hamilton since approximately 2000; and,

WHEREAS, the basketball court is beyond its lifecycle and the community and park users would benefit from the replacement of this amenity to a new multi-use court standard;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the existing basketball court located at 175 Ferguson Avenue South, be replaced with a new standard multi-use court, at a cost of \$80,000, to be funded from the Ward 2 Area Rating Account #108054; and,

- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents for the replacement of the existing basketball court located at 175 Ferguson Avenue South with a new standard multi-use court, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

23. Additional Funding Allocation to Sidewalk Repairs (Ward 2) (Item 9.7)

- (a) That \$30,000 be allocated to sidewalk repairs in Ward 2, and that the capital works be funded utilizing the Ward 2 Area Rating Reserve #108052, Project ID 4241909221; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

24. Amendment to Item 8 of Public Works Committee Report 19-014, respecting Capital Improvement Projects (Ward 2) (Item 9.8)

WHEREAS, at its meeting of October 9, 2019, Council approved Item 8 of the Public Works Committee Report 19-014, respecting Capital Improvement Projects (Ward 2); and,

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to broaden the scope of funding;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Item 8 (a)(i) of Public Works Committee Report 19-014, respecting Capital Improvement Projects (Ward 2), be amended as follows:

- (a) That funding for the following Capital Improvement projects, to be financed from the Ward 2 Area Rating Capital Reserve Fund (108052), be approved:
 - (i) \$70,000 for general capital improvements at 125 Barton Community Hall; and,

25. Purchase of Complete DR-1200 Gum Removal Kit including Steam Cleaner System, Cleaning Kit & Accessories for the Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA) (Ward 2) (Item 9.9)

WHEREAS, the DR-1200 Super-heated Steam Cleaning System, manufactured by Dr. Gum Inc, delivers continuous dry super-heated steam at over 150°C / 300°F, killing 99.99% of all viruses and germs;

WHEREAS, the proprietary, non-toxic, bio-degradable and eco-friendly Dr. Gum cleaning solution was developed to emulsify a wad of gum in seconds and remove over 700 pieces of gum in per hour, from any surface;

WHEREAS, the DR-1200 can be used to address both indoor and outdoor cleaning applications and is pedestrian friendly;

WHEREAS, the DR-1200 will allow the Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA) to perform extensive graffiti removal and sidewalk cleaning and sanitization of tables and chairs in the area; and,

WHEREAS, upon purchase of the Complete DR-1200 Gum Removal Kit from Dr. Gum Inc. by the City of Hamilton, the Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA) will retain permanent ownership of the equipment, and be responsible for any and all operation and maintenance requirements required by the equipment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the purchase of a Complete DR-1200 Gum Removal Kit from Dr. Gum Inc. for the Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA), as attached to Public Works Committee Report 20-004 as Appendix "D", at a cost of up to \$6,000, be funded from the Ward 2 Area Rating Account #108054; and,
- (b) That the General Manager, Public Works Department, or their designate, be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute, on behalf of the City, all necessary agreements and ancillary documents required to give effect thereto, each in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

26. Private Tree Giveaway (Ward 3) (Item 9.10)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has declared a climate emergency;

WHEREAS, increasing the urban tree canopy by providing native trees for planting on private property has many environmental benefits to the residents of Ward 3 and the wider City; and,

WHEREAS, private tree giveaways are not currently funded under existing tree planting programs;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) The supply and distribution of approximately 200 small native trees at a cost of \$2,715 be funded from the Ward 3 Area Rating Discretionary Account (3301909300); and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

27. Credit for HSR Pass Products Purchased for the Timeframe in which Fare Revenue Collection was Paused due to the State of Emergency (City Wide) (Added Item 9.12)

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Province of Ontario declared a state of emergency pursuant to s. 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act as a result of an outbreak of a communicable disease namely Coronavirus Disease 2019;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, physical distancing measures were expanded to include rear door boarding for customers which simultaneously resulted in a pause of fare revenue collection for both conventional and para transit services;

WHEREAS, April monthly passes were available for sale through PRESTO, the vendor network and the customer service center located at Hunter GO Station with approximately 100 passes being purchased by customers before March 19, 2020;

WHEREAS, seniors in the City of Hamilton can purchase an annual pass which is valid for 12 months from date of purchase and as a result of the pause in fare revenue collection paid in full for 12 months access to transit; and,

WHEREAS, the estimated credit to be issued as per above passes is \$66,000.00;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That given that April 2020 HSR monthly passes and senior annual passes were purchased with the intent to use Transit and notwithstanding the state of emergency would have been used for that purpose, that:
 - (i) Credits be issued to those customers who purchased an April 2020 monthly pass for future use on Transit; and,
 - (ii) Seniors be issued credits, for the applicable months that their Senior Annual Pass was valid during the pause of fare revenue collection, to be applied against their next Senior Annual Pass purchase.

28. Appointments to the Hamilton Cycling Committee for the 2018-2022 Term (Item 12.1)

That the recommendation be approved and released publicly following approval by Council.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

6. WRITTEN DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- 6.1 Written Delegation from Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 7.1 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a))

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1.

- 6.2 Written Delegations respecting Item 7.3 – COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan (PED20100/PW20034):

6.2(a) Viv Saunders

6.2(b) Beatrice Ekoko, Environment Hamilton

6.2(c) Elise Desjardins

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.3

7. STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

- 7.1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)

PowerPoint presentation changed to a video presentation.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

- 8.4 Making Upper James Street More Pedestrian Friendly (PW20010/PED20077) (Ward 8) (Outstanding Business List Item)

Recommendation (a)(iv) deleted, as it is a duplication.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

- 10.1 Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide)

- 10.2 Credit for HSR Pass Products Purchased for the Timeframe in which Fare Revenue Collection was Paused due to the State of Emergency (City Wide)

11. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

- 11.1 Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

- 11.1(b) Items Requiring a New Due Date:

- 11.1(b)(a) PRESTO Operating Agreement
Item on OBL: N
Current Due Date: April 6, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: **July 8, 2020**

CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:

The following item is to be considered immediately following the approval of minutes of the previous meeting:

- 7.2 Postponement of Year 5 of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy

The agenda for the June 17, 2020 Public Works Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) February 21, 2020 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the February 21, 2020 meeting of the Public Works Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

Communication Items 4.1 to 4.3 were approved, as presented, as follows:

(i) Correspondence from Rick Lipsitt, resigning from the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee (Item 4.1)

Recommendation: Be received and that the Interview Sub-Committee to the Public Works Committee be reconvened to review original applicants

for the 2018-2022 term to the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee to replace the member.

- (ii) Correspondence from Chuck Billingsley respecting the Installation of a Sound Barrier at Village on the Meadows Townhomes, 230 Meadowbrook Drive, Ancaster (Ward 12) (Item 4.2)**

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Public Works for appropriate action.

- (iii) Correspondence from Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting a Proposed Permanent Closure and Removal from the Truck Route Master Plan of Truck Routes on Grays Road, Frances Avenue and Drakes Drive (Ward 10) (Item 4.3)**

Recommendation: Be received.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

- (i) Interview Sub-Committee to the Public Works Committee Clerk's Report - February 21, 2020 (Item 5.1)**

The Clerk's Report of the February 21, 2020 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Public Works Committee, was received.

- (ii) Interview Sub-Committee to the Public Works Committee Minutes - March 4, 2020 (Item 5.2)**

The Minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Public Works Committee, were received.

- (iii) Hamilton Cycling Committee Minutes - January 8, 2020 (Item 5.5)**

The Minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting of the Hamilton Cycling Committee, were received.

(f) WRITTEN DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

Written Delegation Items 6.1 and 6.2 (a) to (c) were received and referred to the consideration of their respective items, as follows:

- (i) Written Delegation from Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 7.1 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a)) (Added Item 6.1)**

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1

- (ii) **Written Delegations respecting Item 7.3 - COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan (PED20100/PW20034) (Added Item 6.2)**
 - (a) **Viv Saunders (Added Item 6.2(a))**
 - (b) **Beatrice Ekoko, Environment Hamilton (Added Item 6.2(b))**
 - (c) **Elise Desjardins (Added Item 6.2(c))**

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.3.

(g) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) **Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting (PW19091(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Nick Winters, Director, Water & Wastewater Operations, addressed Committee respecting Report PW19091(a), Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation can be accessed via the following link:
https://youtu.be/wT-kfir_XNo

The presentation, respecting Report PW19091(a), Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting, was received.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 8.

- (ii) **Postponement of Year 5 of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy (PW14015(c)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

Debbie Dalle Vedove, Director, Transit (HSR), addressed Committee respecting Report PW14015(c), Postponement of Year 5 of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation, respecting Report PW14015(c), Postponement of Year 5 of the 10 Year Local Transit Strategy, was received.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 9.

(iii) COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan (PED20100/PW20034) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

Brian Hollingworth, Director, Transportation Planning and Parking, addressed Committee respecting Report PED20100/PW20034, COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation, respecting Report PED20100/PW20034, COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan, was received.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 10.

The Public Works Committee was recessed at 12:28 p.m.

The Public Works Committee reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

(h) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide) (Added Item 9.11)

WHEREAS, the current contract for the operation and maintenance of the City of Hamilton's Central Composting Facility commenced in June 2006;

WHEREAS, the current operation and maintenance contract for the Central Composting Facility will expire December 31st, 2020;

WHEREAS, staff were authorized and directed to prepare and issue Request for Proposal C11-09-20 for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility under the same terms and conditions of the current contract;

WHEREAS, staff were directed to prepare and submit an in-house bid;

WHEREAS, Request for Proposal C11-09-20 was issued on May 25th, 2020 and is set to close July 20th, 2020;

WHEREAS, staff received a request from a proponent to include offsite third-party processing of organic material collected through the green bin program as an alternative proposal to Request for Proposal C11-09-20; and,

WHEREAS, a further option for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility can be considered; however it, would be a material change to recently issued Request for Proposal C11-09-20;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to cancel Request for Proposal C11-09-20, Operation and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility;
- (b) That staff modify Request for Proposal C11-09-20, Operation and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility to include the option for offsite third-party processing of organic waste collected through the green bin program while operating the Central Composting Facility as a transfer station;
- (c) That staff reissue Request for Proposal C11-09-20 to obtain proposals for both the operations and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility and offsite third-party processing of organic material;
- (d) That staff still prepare and submit an in-house bid for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility; and,
- (e) That staff be directed to enter into negotiations with Maple Reinders Constructors Ltd. for the purpose of extending current contract C11-105-03 for the Operations and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility for a time period of up to six months to allow for the re-issuing of RFP C11-09-20.

The Motion, respecting Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options, was REFERRED to the June 24, 2020 meeting of Council for consideration to allow Public Works staff an opportunity to address various concerns and questions raised by Public Works Committee members during the meeting.

(i) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide) (Added Item 10.1)

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide).

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item (h)(i).

(ii) Credit for HSR Pass Products Purchased for the Timeframe in which Fare Revenue Collection was Paused due to the State of Emergency (City Wide) (Added Item 10.2)

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting a Credit for HSR Pass Products Purchased for the Timeframe in which Fare Revenue Collection was Paused due to the State of Emergency (City Wide).

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 27.

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

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The following amendments to the Public Works Committee's Outstanding Business List, were approved:

- (a) Items Considered Complete and Needing to be Removed:
- (i) Waste Management System Development – Public Engagement Strategy Results and Preliminary Waste Management System Alternatives
Addressed as Item 5.4(b) of Council Minutes 20- 012 (PW16059(g))
Item on OBL: I
 - (ii) Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (LINC) and Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) Transportation and Safety Update
Addressed as Item 8.5 on today's agenda - Report PED20063/PW18008(b)
Item on OBL: AE
 - (iii) Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Program Annual Report
Addressed as Item 8.1 on today's agenda - Report PW20035
Annual reporting requirement added to Transportation Operations & Maintenance's annual workplan, so the Outstanding Business List Item can be removed.
Item on OBL: AL
 - (iv) HSR TransCab - In-House Bid for 2019 Request for Tenders (RFT)
Addressed as Item 5.7 on today's agenda – Report PW19071(a)
Item on OBL: AAG

- (v) Modification of the Waste Collection Services Request for Proposal to Remove Winter Collection of Leaf and Yard Waste
Addressed as Item 5.4(b) of Council Minutes 20-012 (PW16059(g))
Item on OBL: AAN
- (vi) City of Hamilton Aviary Donation Consideration
Addressed as Item 5.1(e) of Council Minutes 20-006 (PW19108(a))
Item on OBL: AAR
- (vii) Correspondence and a Petition Containing 46 Signatures from the Residents of Windemere Road (East), Stoney Creek Requesting that the City Take Over the Ownership of Windemere Road (East) from the Hamilton Conservation Authority and a Private Owner
Addressed as Item 5.10 on today's agenda – Report PW20032/PED20114
Item on OBL: AAX
- (viii) Wastewater Treatment Plant Bypass and Combined Sewer Overflow Reporting
Partially addressed as Item 7.1 on today's agenda – Report PW19091(a). Interim report requirement of recommendation (a) and all of recommendation (b) completed. Only a portion of recommendation (a), respecting a report back detailing the results of the study, remains outstanding.
Item on OBL: AAM
- (ix) Making Upper James Street More Pedestrian Friendly
Addressed as Item 8.4 on today's agenda – Report PW20010/PED20077
Item on OBL: E
- (b) Items Requiring a New Due Date:
 - (i) PRESTO Operating Agreement
Item on OBL: N
Current Due Date: April 6, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 8, 2020
 - (ii) To Create a Hamilton General Hospital Safety Zone
Item on OBL: U
Current Due Date: April 20, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 12, 2020

- (iii) Redevelopment / Reuse of the former King George School Site, at 77 Gage Avenue North
Item on OBL: V
Current Due Date: March 2020
Proposed New Due Date: September 11, 2020
- (iv) Certificate of Recognition (COR™) Program
Item on OBL: AQ
Current Due Date: March 23, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: October 5, 2020
- (v) Operations and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility
Item on OBL: AV
Current Due Date: May 22, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 12, 2020
- (vi) Moving Hamilton Towards a Zero Plastic Waste Plan
Item on OBL: AY
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: September 11, 2020
- (vii) Roadway Safety Measures on Aberdeen Avenue from Queen Street to Longwood Road
Item on OBL: AZ
Current Due Date: June 15, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: 2021
- (viii) Sustainable Mobility Program Annual Update Item on OBL: AAC
Current Due Date: July 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 12, 2020
- (ix) Road Safety Review and Appropriate Measures at the York Road and Newman Road Intersection
Item on OBL: AAE
Current Due Date: April 20, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: September 11, 2020
- (x) Theft and Vandalism Prevention in City-Owned Public Spaces
Item on OBL: AAH
Current Due Date: March 25, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 8, 2020
- (xi) Integration of an All Ages and Abilities Assessment into Existing and Future Cycling Infrastructure in Hamilton

Item on OBL: AAJ
Current Due Date: June 1, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: August 12, 2020

(xii) City of Hamilton's Cemeteries Business Plan
Item on OBL: AAO
Current Due Date: March 23, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: October 19, 2020

(xiii) Eligibility Audit of Clients Registered for DARTS
Item on OBL: AAQ
Current Due Date: Q1 2020
Proposed New Due Date: Q3 2020

(k) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

Committee determined that discussion of Item 12.1 was not required in Closed Session, so the item was addressed in Open Session, as follows:

(i) Appointments to the Hamilton Cycling Committee for the 2018-2022 Term (Item 12.1)

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 28.

(l) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J.P. Danko
Chair, Public Works Committee

Alicia Davenport
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk

KEEP HAMILTON GREEN AND CLEAN COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1 Introduction

1.1 Committee Name

Keep Hamilton Clean and Green (KHCG) Committee (Formerly the Clean City Liaison Committee – Amended October 9, 2013 Item 11 PW Committee Report 13-012)

1.2 Statement of Purpose

The KHCG Committee promotes environmental sustainability and stewardship by engaging individuals to take greater responsibility for protecting and revitalizing the natural and built environment and providing education, assistance and promotion.

1.3 Committee Mandate

The KHCG Committee will support and provide advice to City staff, elected officials and other stakeholders to implement the Clean & Green Hamilton Strategy and Our Future Hamilton community vision. Reporting through the Public Works Committee, the KHCG Committee will provide input to staff and Council on issues relating to environmental sustainability and stewardship and advice on approaches to engaging citizens to take greater responsibility to protect and revitalize natural and built environments. The KHCG Committee's primary focus is on effecting behaviours and attitudes conducive to a clean, healthy and safe community through leadership and action.

The Committee will provide input and guidance to City staff, Council and other stakeholders on community and private sector involvement and identification of resources to sustain Clean and Green programs and initiatives that aim to beautify our community, promote environmental stewardship and prevent litter, illegal dumping and graffiti.

1.4 Accountability

The KHCG Committee is a Volunteer Advisory Committee that advises Council through the Public Works Committee. The KHCG Committee must comply with the City of Hamilton's Procedural By-law, the Advisory Committee Procedural Handbook and operational policies and procedures.

2 Roles and Responsibilities

The role of the KHCG Committee is to encourage Hamilton residents, property owners and visitors to engage in neighbourhood/community initiatives that aim to beautify our community, promote environmental stewardship and prevent litter, illegal dumping and graffiti.

This Committee will assist in connecting community volunteers with litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, beautification and environmental stewardship programs as well as promoting desired behaviours in the community that support the Clean & Green Hamilton Strategy and Our Future Hamilton community vision.

The roles and responsibilities of the KHCG Committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) Provide input and advice to Council, through reports to the Public Works Committee, and City staff on engaging citizens, property owners and visitors in litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, beautification and environmental stewardship programs;
- (b) Demonstrate leadership in action through participation in events and activities;
- (c) Assist with outreach and education opportunities related to litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, beautification and environmental stewardship programs;
- (d) Support City staff with the development of the annual Clean & Green Hamilton Strategy update for City Council;
- (e) Review reports, studies and other documents on litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, beautification and environmental stewardship issues that may be presented to the KHCG Committee by City staff, consultants, community organizations or the public, and to provide input and recommendations regarding these issues;
- (f) Form working groups to deal with specific issues as they arise;
- (g) Assist in identifying and facilitating resolution of community concerns regarding litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, beautification and environmental stewardship; and,
- (h) Attend and actively participate in KHCG Committee meetings, activities and events.

3 Membership

KHCG Committee membership will reflect a broad range of socio-economic and environmental interests in the community, including residents, businesses, education and local organizations.

3.1 General

- (a) Members must declare any conflict of interest issues prior to discussion or decision-making of any matter with which they believe they have a pecuniary interest; and,
- (b) Members are asked to review all documents, agendas and minutes presented to them to make informed decisions.

Some activities of the KHCG Committee may require additional time commitments dependent upon the nature of the project undertaken.

3.2 Composition

The KHCG Committee shall be comprised of up to 15 voting members and up to six key stakeholders/advisors (non-voting) as follows:

Voting Members:

- Citizen members (up to seven) who will be recruited to represent various backgrounds, ethnicities, genders, geographic areas, ages, etc. within the community;
- Council representative(s) (up to two);
- Youth Representative(s) (up to two – one student from each of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board and the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board);
- BIA representative (one);
- Chamber of Commerce representative (one); and
- Education Representatives (up to two - one from each of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board and the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board).

Key Stakeholders/Advisors (Non-voting Members):

- Environmental sector representative(s) to voice broader concerns from the local environmental sector/organizations, offer technical advice and expertise and connect the KHCG Committee's work to local initiatives when feasible (up to three representatives who are employees or board members with an environmental organization that is based in or carries out a significant amount of programming in Hamilton).
- Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (IC&I) sector representatives to voice broader concerns from the relevant sector, provide insight and enhance the KHCG Committee's understanding of the sector, and provide opportunities to collaborate with IC&I stakeholders (up to three representatives who are employed with an IC&I organization or facilities based in Hamilton).

Quorum shall be half of the voting membership rounded up to the nearest whole number. Non-voting members are not counted in determining the number required for quorum or in determining whether or not quorum is present.

KHCG Committee and/or working group membership may be expanded to include further community representation as deemed appropriate, upon approval of Council.

City staff liaison(s) from the Environmental Services Division will be made available to the KHCG Committee as a resource. The Committee may request information or support from other City Divisions and Departments or experts in the field to assist in formulating appropriate decisions and recommendations.

3.3 Attendance and Vacancies

Members of Committee who miss more than three meetings during their term without Committee approval, may be subject to replacement on the Committee and may not be eligible for re-appointment.

Citizen members will be appointed in accordance with the City of Hamilton's Policy respecting the Appointment of Citizens to the City's Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Advisory (Volunteer) Committees and Sub-Committees.

Youth Representatives will be recruited by the Education Representative from each respective School Board.

3.4 Term of Membership

The term of membership for KHCG Committee members coincides with the current term of Council or until such time as successors are appointed by Council.

The term of membership for Youth Representatives may be 1-2 years (coinciding with the regular school term) based on their schedule and availability as a student.

Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee

Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant Program Guidelines



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CLEAN & GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT

The Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee offers Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant (“the Grant”) for planned small scale green projects and initiatives.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Grant is to help informal and formal groups of residents build capacity for planning and implementing projects in their neighbourhoods that support the goals and objectives of the Clean & Green Hamilton Strategy.

The intent of the Clean and Green Strategy is to encourage behaviour that supports clean and green neighbourhoods in Hamilton. A clean and green neighbourhood leads to improved health, prosperity, safety and well-being of all residents.

Grant projects must focus on at least one of the five focus areas of the Clean and Green Strategy:

- Litter
- Illegal dumping
- Graffiti
- Beautification
- Environmental stewardship

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants:

The following individuals or groups are eligible to apply for the Grant:

- Informal, resident-led neighborhood and community groups
- Formal groups, including Neighbourhood Associations
- Registered charities and not-for-profit corporations

The following groups are not eligible to apply for the Grant:

- Any informal/formal group or not-for-profit corporation receiving other forms of funding from the City of Hamilton for the same project
- For-profit corporations
- Groups that do not engage with community members or volunteers
- Groups that have already submitted an application for a different Grant initiative (Groups can only apply for one project/activity at a time. Reoccurring events undertaken by groups may only be funded once per year.)
- Groups that have previously received a Grant but have not submitted a Final Report summarizing the outcomes of their initiative

Eligible Initiatives:

In order to receive funding, initiatives must:

- Be conducted within the boundaries of the City of Hamilton
- Be completed by volunteers OR organized by paid employees who engage with volunteers to complete the project
- Demonstrate that the applicant has obtained appropriate permissions to complete the project/initiative for which they are seeking funding
- Be completed in areas that are open and accessible to members of the public. In the case of privately owned properties, consideration will be given where the property has some connection or provides opportunities to the broader community.

Examples of eligible projects include:

- Initiatives aimed at changing litter and illegal dumping behaviours
- Managing graffiti (e.g. prevention, clean up, etc.)
- Efforts to improve ecological integrity of public and private spaces by planting native plant species, pollinator plants, trees, etc.
- Initiatives that will help a community become more resilient or able to withstand the impacts of climate and extreme weather events

The following initiatives are not eligible to receive funding through the Grant program:

- Initiatives that fall under any current City of Hamilton, Conservation Authority, or RBG volunteer engagement program
- Projects and initiatives receiving other forms of funding from the City of Hamilton including funding through Ward Councillor offices, the City Enrichment Fund, the Hamilton Future Fund, or Clean Air Hamilton’s funding program.
- Emergency response or relief efforts, natural disaster or extreme weather-related cleanups, etc.
- Initiatives led or coordinated by City staff or elected officials on behalf of the City of Hamilton or a ward office. (Initiatives led or coordinated by a group of residents or volunteers with direct support from City staff are eligible to apply.)

Eligible Expenses:

As part of the application process, applicants are required to submit a list of their anticipated expenses. The following items are examples of eligible expenses:

- Project/event supplies (such as the cost to purchase paint and painting supplies required to create a mural, etc)
- Event advertising (such as graphic design fees, printing fees for event flyers, Facebook advertising costs, etc)
- Artist honorariums
- Insurance and waste hauling costs (such as the cost to rent a dumpster for a large litter clean up event or event insurance to cover any injuries to volunteers and damage to property). If applying for insurance and waste hauling costs, please ensure you check the relevant box on the application form.

AVAILABLE FUNDING

The Grant program will be funded by the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee’s annual budget. The amount to be awarded through the Grant process will be requested in the fall prior to the start of the grant funding cycle by the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee when preparing the Committee’s annual budget request report.

At the time of applying, applicants must provide details about all anticipated expenses associated with the proposed initiative. Applicants are eligible to receive \$500 in funding. Initiatives that include significant costs for waste haulage or disposal services, insurance costs, etc. may be eligible to receive an additional \$500 in funding to cover large scale expenses, up to a maximum grant value of \$1,000. The maximum an organizer/group is eligible to receive is \$1,000 per calendar year.

The number of grants available varies each year according to:

- The number of eligible applications received
- The amount of funding available through the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee’s annual budget

TIMELINES

The Grant program operates on the following approximate timelines each year:

- January – Application period opens
- Early February – Application period closes
- February-March – Committee adjudication and approval
- Late March-Early April – Successful and unsuccessful applicants notified by email
- May – Funding distributed

Specific dates are determined at the start of each year by the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee. Timelines are subject to change based on the Committee members availability and meeting schedule. Applicants should refer to program website for confirmed program timelines and dates each year.

COMMUNICATIONS

All relevant grant application information will be publicly available on the program website: Hamilton.ca/clean&greengrant

The grant opportunity will be communicated to prospective applicants in the following ways:

- By email who have agreed to be included on the Grant program email list managed by City staff
- On the Clean & Green Hamilton Facebook page
- In person at community events using a flyer created for program promotion

Other communication methods may be used as appropriate, including: City of Hamilton media releases and corporate social media (Twitter and Instagram) accounts, etc.

Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee members may choose to share the grant information at their own discretion through their personal communication channels (e.g. by email or on a personal social media account) with their colleagues, acquaintances and contacts in their communities and in the environmental sector.

The Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee may choose to use paid promotional opportunities to promote the grant opportunity to a broader audience. Any promotional or advertising fees incurred by the program will be included in the Committee’s annual budget request report and withdrawn from the advisory committee budget.

APPLICATIONS

All prospective applicants must complete the online application form that will be available for the duration of the application period on the program website. A sample application form is provided as Appendix A.

During the application period, prospective applicants may contact City staff to ask questions of clarification before submitting their application. Late applications and applications submitted in any format other than the online application form will not be accepted. Late applicants will be invited to add their contact information to the program email list to receive information about future grant opportunities.

ASSESSMENT

Grant applications will be assessed in three stages:

1. Staff Review

City staff will review each grant application as it is submitted to ensure:

- Eligibility
- Completeness

City staff will not provide a score or assessment on the quality of the proposed activity.

After staff have reviewed each grant application to ensure that it is eligible and complete, all grant applications will be shared confidentially with Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee working group members.

2. Working Group Review and Assessment

At least three members of the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee will form a working group to assess the grant applications. After receiving a package of eligible and complete grant applications from City staff, working group members will assess

each application independently and provide a score according to how the proposed initiative meets the following criteria:

- How the activity aligns with the Clean & Green Strategy focus areas
- Support or involvement from the public and community stakeholders
- The level of detail included in the proposed evaluation plan/anticipated outcomes
- The initiative’s benefits to the community and the natural environment
- Reasonableness of anticipated expenses and responsible use of public money
- Appropriateness and reach of proposed promotional tools
- Recognition and acknowledgement to the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee
- Other merit of the proposed activity (e.g. any noteworthy, exceptional or innovative ideas)

After independently scoring each application, working group members will attend a consensus meeting facilitated by City staff to determine final scoring and funding recommendations. Each application will receive a total score based on the maximum score of 50 points. A passing score for an application is 60% (30 points) or above. A score of 60% or above will qualify, but not guarantee the application for possible funding.

3. Committee Approval

Working group members will present their final scoring and funding recommendations at the next Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee meeting for consideration and approval. The Committee will discuss and vote on a motion to fund or not fund each grant application individually after the working group has shared its final scores and funding recommendations.

Following Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee approval, all working group and Committee members will be asked to securely discard all confidential materials or return materials to the staff liaison to be securely discarded.

Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee recommendations for Grant funding will be provided to City Council through the Public Works Committee.

Successful and unsuccessful applicants will receive written feedback about the Committee members decision regarding their application.

FINAL REPORT

Successful applicants are required to submit a written final report on their project/activity within three months after the project/activity is completed. Applicants may

choose to provide supporting materials, such as photos, videos, brochures, etc., that help tell the story of their initiative. The final report template is provided as Appendix B.

Applicants may also provide an optional in-person presentation at a Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee meeting. With the applicants’ permission, stories and photos from successfully completed projects may be shared publicly by the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee to demonstrate the impact of the Grant program.

Applicants that do not submit final reporting documents will not be eligible to receive Grant funding in the future.

As per the guidelines for retention of records relating to Grants and Loans described in City of Hamilton By-Law No. 11-040, records of application material will be retained for the current program year plus an additional 6 years. The Manager of Records & Freedom of Information will be consulted with any questions or concerns regarding retention of records.

APPLICANT AGREEMENT

Prior to submitting their application, applicants are required to review and indicate their agreement to the statements below:

- a. I/We am/are authorized to represent the Applicant and, to the best of my/our knowledge, the information provided in this Application is true;
- b. In this Application, references to the City of Hamilton (the “City”) includes the municipal corporation, its elected and appointed officials, officers, directors, servants, employees, volunteers, invitees, committee members, contractors, agents, assigns and insurers;
- c. I/We will carry out the activity/project when and as described in this Application. I/We understand that if there are significant changes to the activity/project and/or if I/we fail to complete the activity/project, I/we may be required to return all or some of the CLEAN & GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT funds (the “Funds”) to the City and it is my/our responsibility to promptly notify the City of any such changes;
- d. In accepting this Application, the City is not obliged to grant any Funds and that, in fact, any such grant shall be made in the City’s total discretion;
- e. I/We assume all liability for the activity/project and hereby release the City from any and all claims, liabilities and damages for any losses or injuries sustained by me/us or others, regardless of how caused, which arise out of, or are in any way connected with, the activity/project;
- f. I/We further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City against any claims, liabilities, damages, losses, demands and actions of any nature whatsoever, including solicitors’ fees, which arise out of or are in any way connected with the activity/project;

- g. If the activity/project takes place on City property, I/we agree to comply with all City requirements and guidelines;
- h. If I/we receive Funds from the City, I/we will, promptly on completion of the activity/project, submit a final report to the City summarizing the activity/project, its objectives and achievements as well as a final budget outlining all other associated donations/grants, costs and expenditures supported by copies of appropriate receipts and invoices. Failure to submit this final report will affect eligibility for future applications to the City;
- i. I/We hereby authorize the City to publicize all information provided by me/us including, without limitation, my/our name(s), all details of this Application and the final report as the City sees fit in its total discretion;
- j. I/We hereby direct any other persons or organizations supporting or participating in the activity/project to share any relevant information with the City on the City’s request;
- k. I/We acknowledge that all information provided by me/us is subject to collection, retention, use and disclosure under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; and;
- l. I/We agree to acknowledge the receipt of Funds from the City on all promotional material associated with the activity/project.

NOTICE OF COLLECTION

Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant applicants are required to provide personal information as part of the application, adjudication and final reporting process.

The City of Hamilton collects information under authority of Section 227 of the Municipal Act, 2001. Any personal information collected for the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant program will be used for the purpose of administering the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant Program, including determining eligibility, selecting successful grant recipients and ensuring the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant funds are used in accordance with grant requirements. By providing their email address, applicants consent to receiving emails from the City of Hamilton for the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant Program.

CONTACT

City staff will respond to any questions from the general public about the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant process. Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee members are not to have any direct communication with grant applicants beyond sharing general program information or timelines. Any questions received by Committee members should be shared with City staff for appropriate resolution.

Phone: 905-546-2424 ext. 5089

Email: clean&green@hamilton.ca

APPENDIX A: SAMPLE APPLICATION FORM

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant’s Legal Name:			
Name of Applicant’s Representative/Contact:			
Is the Applicant a(n): (check ✓ one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Informal Group (such as a Club or Neighbourhood Community Association) <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership or Corporation (including a Not-for-Profit corporation)			
Applicant Representative’s Contact Information:			
Address:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Website:

2. ACTIVITY/PROJECT INFORMATION

Funding amount requested: _____

When will this activity/project take place?

Start Date: DD/MM/YYYY

End Date: DD/MM/YYYY

How often is your activity/project scheduled to occur (e.g. DAILY, WEEKLY, MONTHLY, ANNUAL or ONE-TIME? (Specify)

Which of the following categories apply to this activity/project? (Check ✓ all that apply)

- Litter
- Illegal Dumping

- Graffiti**
- Beautification**
- Environmental Stewardship**

- Please check this box if you are also asking for Insurance and Waste Hauling funding for large-scale projects**

Description of the activity/project:

Where (provide address/location) will this activity/project take place? Have you obtained all necessary permissions to conduct this activity/project?

3. CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

Specifically describe all expected supports for this activity/project from the local neighbourhood (including other donations/grants, # of volunteers etc.)

Please confirm the:

# of people involved in planning this activity or project	
# of people who might participate in the activity or project	

4. EVALUATION

What do you want to achieve in completing this activity/project? How will you know if you have been successful?

5. BUDGET

How much will your activity/project cost?

Estimated Expense Item (e.g. Materials, Supplies and Professional Services)	Source	Expenses
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
TOTAL ACTIVITY/PROJECT COSTS		\$
<p>What specific items will the CLEAN & GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT be used to fund?</p> 		

6. RECOGNITION AND PROMOTION

How will you promote this program/project? How will you recognize the contributions of the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee?

APPENDIX B: FINAL REPORT TEMPLATE

Organization/Group Name:
Organization/Group’s Contact Person:
Address:
Email:
Phone:
Project Name:
Total Project Cost:

Section 1: Attachments

1. **Project Expenses (required):** Please attach copies of receipts for project expenses to demonstrate how the Clean & Green Neighbourhood funds were used. Please note that any unspent funds should be returned to the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee.
2. **Supporting Materials (optional):** Please feel free to include with this final report any photos, videos posters, brochures, etc. that you feel help tell the story of your project and the impact it had in the community.

Section 2: Summary of Project Outcomes

Please provide us with a summary of your project’s outcomes by responding to the questions below.

1. **Outcomes:** Summarize the work that was completed as part of the project and the results that were achieved. Reflect on the initial goals or anticipated outcomes that were developed while planning the project and whether your group achieved those goals. If possible, please provide numbers to show the amount of work completed (for example, the number of trees or flowers planted, bags of waste collected, number of volunteers that participated, etc.).
2. **Project Changes/Challenges:** If your project plan changed between the time that you submitted your grant application and when you completed your project, please describe the changes that occurred and how this affected your ability to achieve your desired outcomes. If you experienced unexpected outcomes,

please describe and reflect upon them here. If any challenges arose, please describe how you responded to ensure that the project could continue.

3. **Community Building:** Describe the support and resources you received from community members or organizations to help complete the project. Describe any new partnerships or relationships that were formed through the implementation of this project.
4. **Learnings and Recommendations:** Please list your learnings from this initiative and describe what you would do differently if you were to do this project again. What advice or recommendations would you give to other groups that are considering undertaking a similar initiative?
5. **Additional Comments:** Please provide any additional comments or feedback to the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee about the Clean & Green Neighbourhood Grant.
6. **Presentation:** Would you like the opportunity to give an in-person presentation to the Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee about your project and its results? If you respond “Yes” to this question, City staff will contact you to schedule a presentation time.

Hopkins Court	Owner Initiated Municipal Act
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Sanitary Mainline Sewer and One Sanitary Lateral		
	Propert Address	Estimated Cost Per Property
1	69 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
2	73 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
3	74 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
4	77 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
5	78 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
6	81 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
7	83 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
8	84 HOPKINS COURT	\$26,891.39
Total Cost:		\$215,131.09



May 20, 2020

PRICE QUOTE

COMPLETE DR-1200 GUM REMOVAL KIT – DR-1200 XL DISINFECTING/SANITIZING SOLUTION

From: Dr. Gum Inc.

800 Ford Blvd. Suite 128

Chateauguay, Quebec

J6J 4Z2

Quote to: Downtown Hamilton BIA

C/O Kerry Jarvi – Executive Director

20 Hughson St. South, Suite 104

Hamilton, Ont. L8N 2A1

Complete DR-1200 Gum Removal Kit.....\$4,999.00

Breakdown of accessories included in the price of the DR-1200 Kit are outlined on the official price list (see attachment for details)

DR-1200 Vittal XL Disinfecting/Sanitizing solution.....\$320.00 per case

(Breakdown.....20 x 8oz. bottles per case)



Model DR-1200

"Complete" Dr. Gum Cleaning Kit & Accessories.....\$4,999.00

<u>Items Included In Price of Kit</u>	<u>Product Code</u>
1x DR-1200 Stainless Steel Steam Machine	001
1x 4ft. Lightweight aluminum cleaning wand	002
1x 2.5ft. Lightweight aluminum cleaning wand	003
2x Cases (4x2 liter bottles per case) cleaning solution	004
4x Large size "Stainless Steel" brushes	005
2x Small size "Stainless Steel" brushes	006
4x Large size "Nylon" brushes	007
2x Small size "Nylon" brushes	007A
4x Large size "Brass" brushes	008
2x Small size "Brass" brushes	009
1x 25ft.extension cord...12 gauge	010
1x Safety Glasses	012
1x Work Gloves	013
1x De-scaling kit	011

Accessory Pricing

Dr. Gum Proprietary Cleaning Solution.....\$160.00/case (4x2 liter bottles/case)

Large Size Cleaning Brushes – minimum order 3pcs./per model.....\$69.50

Small Size Cleaning Brushes – minimum order 3pcs./per model.....\$49.50



AUDIT, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT 20-004

9:30 a.m.

June 18, 2020

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

Present: Councillors M. Wilson (Chair), C. Collins, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek and J. Partridge

Absent: Councillors B. Clark and B. Johnson – City Business

THE AUDIT, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. 2019 Annual Report on Commodity Price Hedging (FCS20050) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That Report FCS20050, respecting the 2019 Annual Report on Commodity Price Hedging, be received.

2. Treasurer's Investment Report 2019 Fiscal Year by Aon (FCS20042) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

(a) That Report FCS20042, respecting the Treasurer's Investment Report 2019 Fiscal Year by Aon, be received; and,

(b) That Report FCS20042, respecting the Treasurer's Investment Report 2019 Fiscal Year by Aon, be forwarded to the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors for information.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

That Consent Items 5.4 through 5.8 be received, as presented:

(i) Hamilton Future Fund Investment Performance Report - December 31, 2019 (FCS20047) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

That Report FCS20047, respecting Hamilton Future Fund Investment Performance Report - December 31, 2019, be received.

(ii) Reserve / Revenue Fund Investment Performance Report - December 31, 2019 (FCS20048) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

That Report FCS20048, respecting Reserve / Revenue Fund Investment Performance Report - December 31, 2019, be received.

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(iii) Cemetery Trust Accounts Investment Performance Report – December 31, 2019 (FCS20049) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)

That Report FCS20049, respecting Cemetery Trust Accounts Investment Performance Report – December 31, 2019, be received.

(iv) 2018 Audited Financial Statements for City of Hamilton Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) (FCS20051) (City Wide) (Item 5.7)

That Report FCS20051, respecting the 2018 Audited Financial Statements for City of Hamilton Business Improvement Areas (BIAs), be received.

(v) Professional and Consultant Services Roster 2019-2020 (PW20037 / PED20118 / FCS20058) (City Wide) (Item 5.8)

That Report PW20037 / PED20118 / FCS20058, respecting the Professional and Consultant Services Roster 2019-2020, be received.

4. 2019 City of Hamilton Financial Report and Audited Financial Statements (FCS20052) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the 2019 City of Hamilton Financial Report and Audited Financial Statements, attached as Appendix "A" to Audit, Finance & Administration Committee Report 20-004, be approved.

5. Computer and Technology Acceptable Use Policy (FCS20053) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(a) That the Computer and Technology Acceptable Use Policy, attached as Appendix "B" to Audit, Finance & Administration Committee Report 20-004, as Human Resource Policy Number HR-15-09, be approved;

(b) That the Computer Acceptable Use Policy approved by Council on February 11th of 2009 as Human Resource Policy Number HR-15-09, through report FCS09016 be repealed; and,

(c) That the Computer and Technology Acceptable Use Policy be reviewed by staff annually for administrative changes.

6. Extension of Contract C12-06-18 Professional and Consultant Services Roster 2019-2020 (FCS20054) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(a) That Council approve a one-year extension of Contract C12-06-18, Professional and Consultant Services Roster, and that the Manager of Procurement be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute any required documents required to give effect thereto with Rostered Candidates, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,

(b) That any cost increase associated with amendments to the existing contract be reported to General Issues Committee as a cost pressure for

the 2021 Budget Process and presented to Council with an identified funding source.

7. City Auditor Reporting of Serious Matters to Council Policy (AUD20003) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

- (a) That the Office of the City Auditor Policy, City Auditor Reporting of Serious Matters to Council Policy, attached as Appendix "C" to Audit, Finance & Administration Committee Report 20-004, be approved; and,
- (b) That a by-law to amend the Whistleblower By-law 19-181, updating the frequency of reporting from quarterly to semi-annually, with a mid-year status report and a comprehensive annual report, attached as Appendix "B" to Report AUD20003, be enacted by Council.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

11. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

11.1(b) Item to be Removed:

Converting Contractual Positions to Permanent
Added: March 27, 2019 at GIC - Final Operating Budget Report 19-002 (i)(3)(dd)
Completed: April 29, 2020 at Council - Item 15.4(f) Appendix A
OBL Item: 19-E

11.1(c) Items Requiring a New Due Date:

10 Year Review of Medical Centre Optical – Bids, Proposals or Quotation
Added: February 17, 2011 at AF&A - AF&A Report 11-002 Item 13(b)
OBL Item: A
Original Due Date: Early 2020
Proposed Due Date: Fall 2020

The agenda for the June 18, 2020 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) February 20, 2020 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting of the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

The following Volunteer Advisory Committee Minutes, were received:

- (i) Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee - November 7, 2019 (Item 5.1(a))
- (ii) Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee - January 16, 2020 (Item 5.1(b))
- (iii) Hamilton Mundialization Committee - January 15, 2020 (Item 5.1(c))
- (iv) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Advisory Committee - January 21, 2020 (Item 5.1(d))
- (v) Hamilton Status of Women Advisory Committee - September 26, 2019 (Item 5.1(e))
- (vi) Hamilton Status of Women Advisory Committee - November 5, 2019 (Item 5.1(f))
- (vii) Hamilton Status of Women Advisory Committee - February 27, 2020 (Item 5.1(g))
- (viii) Advisory Committee for Immigrants and Refugees - September 12, 2019 (Item 5.1(h))
- (ix) Advisory Committee for Immigrants and Refugees - January 9, 2020 (Item 5.1(i))
- (x) Advisory Committee for Immigrants and Refugees - February 13, 2020 (Item 5.1(j))
- (xi) Committee Against Racism - November 26, 2019 (Item 5.1(k))

(e) WRITTEN DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Correspondence from John Stirling, respecting a \$14,400.00 Park Dedication Fee for a 1 apartment unit in a commercial building (Item 6.1)

The written delegation from John Stirling, respecting a \$14,400.00 Park Dedication Fee for a 1 apartment unit in a commercial building, was received.

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

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The following amendments to the Outstanding Business List, were approved:

(a) Items to be Removed (Item 11.1(a)):

2018 United Way Funding Review (Item 13.1)
Added: February 7, 2019 at AF&A - Item 13.1
Completed: February 20, 2020 AF&A - Item 10.3
OBL Item: M

Supply of Raw Water to 690 Strathearne Avenue North
(FCS18049(b))
Added: February 7, 2019 at AF&A - Item 10.1
Completed: March 20, 2020 at GIC - Item 14.5
OBL Item: 19-B

Transit Program Initiative (Added Item 11.3)
Added: August 15, 2019 at AF&A - Item (g)(i)
Completed: June 3, 2020 at Council - Item 15.4(b)
OBL Item: 19-L

Everyone Rides Initiative Pilot Project (PW16086)
Added: September 14, 2016 at Council
Completed: June 3, 2020 at Council
OBL Item: E

(b) Additional Items to be Removed (Item 11.1(b)):

Converting Contractual Positions to Permanent
Added: March 27, 2019 at GIC - Final Operating Budget Report
19-002 (i)(3)(dd)
Completed: April 29, 2020 at Council - Item 15.4(f) Appendix A
OBL Item: 19-E

(c) Items Requiring a New Due Date (Item 11.1(c)):

10 Year Review of Medical Centre Optical – Bids, Proposals or
Quotation
Added: February 17, 2011 at AF&A - AF&A Report 11-002 Item
13(b)
OBL Item: A
Original Due Date: Early 2020
Proposed Due Date: Fall 2020

(g) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(i) February 20, 2020 – Closed Session Minutes (Item 12.1)

- (a) The Closed Session Minutes of the February 20, 2020 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee meeting, were approved as presented; and,
- (b) The Closed Session Minutes of the February 20, 2020 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee meeting, remain confidential.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Wilson, Chair
Audit, Finance and Administration
Committee

Angela McRae
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk



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FINANCIAL REPORT

2019

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Accommodations for Readers with Disabilities

In accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code, Ontario Human Rights Act, 2001 (ODA) and Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA), the City of Hamilton will accommodate for readers with a disability upon request.

Section 1

City of Hamilton Five Year Financial and Statistical Review 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating Revenue					
Taxation	\$ 917,126	\$ 888,229	\$ 876,880	\$ 854,709	\$ 831,645
Government grants and contributions	447,833	454,774	394,785	385,447	384,363
User charges	372,145	347,637	334,974	332,601	315,340
Development charges and subdivider contributions	60,646	119,703	50,313	82,025	25,611
Donated tangible capital assets	21,715	46,862	18,217	16,646	43,571
Investment and dividend income	37,598	31,101	28,070	27,067	30,284
Net income from Government Business Enterprises	11,262	24,285	134,914	22,857	18,758
Other	128,764	137,476	131,383	116,549	114,019
	<u>1,997,089</u>	<u>2,050,067</u>	<u>1,969,536</u>	<u>1,837,901</u>	<u>1,763,591</u>
Operating Expenses by Function					
General government	\$ 66,626	\$ 80,025	\$ 70,733	\$ 72,550	\$ 57,664
Protection services	330,258	324,227	312,564	306,629	300,362
Transportation services	337,719	320,005	326,274	310,190	318,605
Environmental services	252,778	284,271	239,488	238,553	219,339
Health services	106,057	102,868	99,125	98,443	105,377
Social and family services	309,361	316,819	315,218	302,830	294,343
Social housing	97,131	105,893	105,141	111,113	120,898
Recreation and cultural services	176,949	172,965	169,029	165,214	155,720
Planning and development	52,263	56,785	53,455	51,514	54,882
	<u>1,729,142</u>	<u>1,763,858</u>	<u>1,691,027</u>	<u>1,657,036</u>	<u>1,627,190</u>
Net Operating Revenue or Annual Surplus from Operations	<u>267,947</u>	<u>286,209</u>	<u>278,509</u>	<u>180,865</u>	<u>136,401</u>

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Taxation					
Taxation from real property	\$ 1,102,694	\$ 1,071,092	\$ 1,056,723	\$ 1,032,999	\$ 1,010,050
Taxation from other governments/payments in lieu of taxes	\$ 16,551	\$ 16,256	\$ 17,042	16,469	15,367
Taxation collected on behalf of school boards	(202,119)	(199,119)	(196,885)	(194,759)	(193,772)
Net taxes available for municipal purposes	<u>917,126</u>	<u>888,229</u>	<u>876,880</u>	<u>854,709</u>	<u>831,645</u>
Tax Levies					
City portion	\$ 886,787	\$ 857,981	\$ 845,392	\$ 827,668	\$ 797,619
School Board portion	198,980	196,082	193,714	191,734	188,861
	<u>1,085,767</u>	<u>1,054,063</u>	<u>1,039,106</u>	<u>1,019,402</u>	<u>986,480</u>
Tax arrears					
Taxes receivable	\$ 86,309	\$ 80,972	\$ 77,918	\$ 83,730	\$ 85,429
Taxes receivable per capita	149	145	140	155	155
Taxes receivable as a percentage of current years' levies	7.9%	7.7%	7.5%	8.2%	8.7%
Unweighted Taxable Assessment					
Residential	\$ 66,000,132	\$ 61,518,082	\$ 57,306,633	\$ 53,366,322	\$ 50,882,588
Non-Residential	9,069,880	8,442,007	7,908,588	7,571,212	7,262,270
	<u>75,070,012</u>	<u>69,960,089</u>	<u>65,215,221</u>	<u>60,937,534</u>	<u>58,144,858</u>
Weighted Taxable Assessment					
Residential	\$ 69,119,831	\$ 61,745,624	\$ 61,208,842	\$ 57,357,959	\$ 54,721,738
Non-Residential	19,641,077	18,379,207	17,376,301	16,428,325	15,809,651
	<u>88,760,908</u>	<u>80,124,831</u>	<u>78,585,143</u>	<u>73,786,284</u>	<u>70,531,389</u>
Residential vs Non-Residential Percentage of Total Weighted Taxable Assessment					
Residential	78%	78%	78%	78%	78%
Non-Residential	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%
Taxable Assessment Growth (weighted)	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%	0.7%	1.6%

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating Expenses by Object					
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	\$ 797,631	\$ 780,052	\$ 755,403	\$ 741,847	\$ 723,337
Interest on long term liabilities	13,767	12,677	13,442	12,934	14,297
Materials	203,308	207,682	218,037	221,520	223,349
Contracted services	309,634	341,931	275,361	276,159	248,843
Rents and financial expenses	31,084	34,550	42,421	34,297	36,435
External transfers	168,471	190,538	194,241	184,546	202,881
Amortization of tangible capital assets	205,247	196,428	192,122	185,733	178,048
	<u>1,729,142</u>	<u>1,763,858</u>	<u>1,691,027</u>	<u>1,657,036</u>	<u>1,627,190</u>
Operating Expenses as Percentage of Total					
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	46.1%	44.2%	44.7%	44.8%	44.6%
Interest on long term liabilities	0.8%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%
Materials	11.8%	11.8%	12.9%	13.4%	13.7%
Contracted services	18.0%	19.5%	16.3%	16.7%	15.3%
Rents and financial expenses	1.8%	2.0%	2.5%	2.1%	2.2%
External transfers	9.7%	10.8%	11.5%	11.1%	12.5%
Amortization of tangible capital assets	11.8%	11.0%	11.3%	11.1%	10.8%
	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Long Term Liabilities					
Long Term Liabilities incurred by the City	\$ 432,709	\$ 494,891	\$ 418,145	\$ 472,805	\$ 394,295
Long Term Debt incurred by the City for which other entities have assumed responsibility	-	-	-	-	(3,239)
	<u>432,709</u>	<u>494,891</u>	<u>418,145</u>	<u>472,805</u>	<u>391,056</u>
Long Term Liabilities					
Housing operations	\$ 46,967	\$ 52,803	\$ 58,508	\$ 64,070	\$ 69,466
City operations	385,742	432,088	359,637	408,735	321,590
	<u>432,709</u>	<u>484,891</u>	<u>418,145</u>	<u>472,805</u>	<u>391,056</u>
Long term liabilities as a % of Reserves and Capital Surplus	51.60%	57.30%	58.60%	62.20%	62.30%

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Tangible Capital Assets					
General					
Land	\$ 387,321	\$ 357,211	\$ 333,818	\$ 315,467	\$ 304,977
Land improvements	167,237	157,312	152,325	150,337	135,252
Buildings	815,472	817,598	756,160	761,396	735,926
Vehicles	148,259	137,501	128,600	133,786	107,241
Computer hardware and software	19,499	13,572	11,821	11,058	7,876
Other	93,335	95,871	99,540	103,490	92,098
Infrastructure					
Roads	1,310,342	1,293,193	1,261,223	1,253,561	1,248,288
Bridges and structures	181,896	184,387	183,422	184,213	184,794
Water and wastewater facilities	395,495	398,743	403,647	396,884	385,404
Underground and other networks	1,986,865	1,861,011	1,789,334	1,761,542	1,713,019
Net Book Value	<u>5,505,721</u>	<u>5,316,399</u>	<u>5,119,890</u>	<u>5,071,734</u>	<u>4,914,875</u>
Assets under construction	425,067	360,182	309,974	199,680	235,413
	<u>5,930,788</u>	<u>5,676,581</u>	<u>5,429,864</u>	<u>5,271,414</u>	<u>5,150,288</u>
Accumulated Surplus or Municipal Financial Position					
Reserves and reserve funds					
Reserves	\$ 612,513	\$ 660,380	\$ 697,931	\$ 647,278	\$ 660,757
Hamilton Future Fund	52,963	48,635	44,322	43,079	37,711
	<u>665,476</u>	<u>709,015</u>	<u>742,253</u>	<u>690,357</u>	<u>698,468</u>
Capital surplus	\$ 173,857	\$ 136,894	\$ (28,137)	\$ 70,021	\$ (70,758)
Operating surplus	74,118	88,433	1,498	2,020	2,305
Investment in Government Business Enterprises	323,851	329,237	356,098	247,386	232,811
Investment in tangible capital assets	5,393,649	5,102,640	4,995,441	4,780,723	4,740,652
Unfunded liabilities - Employee future benefits	(348,328)	(348,832)	(343,679)	(333,787)	(326,627)
Unfunded liabilities - Solid waste landfill sites	(71,420)	(71,559)	(24,174)	(24,466)	(25,769)
	<u>6,211,203</u>	<u>5,945,828</u>	<u>5,699,300</u>	<u>5,432,254</u>	<u>5,251,082</u>

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Statistical Information					
Population	579,000	572,575	563,480	558,397	550,700
Households	237,200	234,655	227,641	222,918	223,000
Area in hectares	112,775	112,775	112,775	112,775	112,775
Building Permit Values	\$1,408,521,764	\$1,264,757,129	\$1,364,145,419	\$1,056,237,746	\$1,108,192,846
Housing Starts	1,438	1,135	1,340	1,436	1,415
Residential Units - Building Permits	5,012	5,808	6,053	5,835	4,142
Average Monthly Social Assistance Case Load	11,248	11,884	12,807	12,753	12,946
Continuous Full Time Employees	6,841	6,724	6,664	6,670	6,597

Section 2

City of Hamilton Consolidated Financial Statements 2019

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Independent Auditors' Report

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	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	\$ 187,704	\$ 130,292
Taxes receivable	86,309	80,972
Accounts receivable	131,232	119,048
Other assets	1,473	1,418
Long term receivables (Note 4)	47,379	63,573
Portfolio investments (Note 3)	1,069,908	1,056,507
Investment in Government Business Enterprises (Note 5)	323,851	329,237
Total financial assets	<u>\$ 1,847,856</u>	<u>\$ 1,781,047</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 339,830	\$ 323,521
Deferred revenue - general	42,542	45,196
Deferred revenue - obligatory reserve funds (Note 6 & 7)	331,278	237,055
Long term liabilities – municipal operations (Note 8)	385,742	432,088
Long term liabilities – housing corporation (Note 9)	46,967	52,803
Employee future benefits and other obligations (Note 10 & 11)	372,695	373,177
Solid waste landfill liabilities (Note 12)	71,420	71,559
Total liabilities	<u>1,590,474</u>	<u>1,535,399</u>
Net financial assets	<u>\$ 257,382</u>	<u>\$ 245,648</u>
Non-financial assets		
Tangible capital assets (Note 21)	\$ 5,930,788	\$ 5,676,581
Inventories	15,672	15,174
Prepaid expenses	7,361	8,425
Total non-financial assets	<u>5,953,821</u>	<u>5,700,180</u>
Accumulated surplus (Note 13)	<u>\$ 6,211,203</u>	<u>\$ 5,945,828</u>

Contractual obligations (Note 17)

Contractual rights (Note 18)

Contingent liabilities (Note 20)

Subsequent event (Note 25)

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

	Budget <u>2019</u> (Note 24)	Actual <u>2019</u>	Actual <u>2018</u>
Revenue			
Taxation (Note 15)	\$ 915,412	\$ 917,126	\$ 888,229
Government grants and contributions (Note 16)	441,934	447,833	454,774
User charges, licences and fines	350,781	372,145	347,637
Developer contributions earned	62,359	60,646	119,703
Donated tangible capital assets	21,715	21,715	46,862
Investment and dividend income	43,610	37,598	31,101
Net income from Government			
Business Enterprises (Note 5)	-	11,262	24,285
Other	105,020	128,764	137,476
Total revenue	<u>1,940,831</u>	<u>1,997,089</u>	<u>2,050,067</u>
Expenses			
General government	\$ 70,503	\$ 66,626	\$ 80,025
Protection services	325,029	330,258	324,227
Transportation services	344,165	337,719	320,005
Environmental services	257,790	252,778	284,271
Health services	105,749	106,057	102,868
Social and family services	320,347	309,361	316,819
Social housing	118,229	97,131	105,893
Recreation and cultural services	172,605	176,949	172,965
Planning and development	57,510	52,263	56,785
Total expenses	<u>1,771,927</u>	<u>1,729,142</u>	<u>1,763,858</u>
Annual Surplus	\$ 168,904	\$ 267,947	\$ 286,209
Accumulated surplus			
Beginning of year	\$ 5,945,828	\$ 5,945,828	\$ 5,699,300
Other comprehensive loss and other			
Government Business Enterprises (Note 5)	-	(2,572)	(39,681)
End of year	<u>\$ 6,114,732</u>	<u>\$ 6,211,203</u>	<u>\$ 5,945,828</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

	Budget <u>2019</u> (Note 24)	Actual <u>2019</u>	Actual <u>2018</u>
Operating activities			
Annual surplus	\$ 168,904	\$ 267,947	\$ 286,209
Other comprehensive loss of			
Government Business Enterprises	-	(2,572)	(39,681)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(454,795)	(445,146)	(408,325)
Loss on disposition of tangible capital assets	7,407	7,407	12,039
Amortization of tangible capital assets	205,247	205,247	196,431
Donated tangible capital assets	(21,715)	(21,715)	(46,862)
Decrease in inventories	-	(498)	(2,618)
Increase in prepaid expenses	-	1,064	2,284
Net increase (decrease) in financial assets	<u>(94,954)</u>	<u>11,734</u>	<u>(523)</u>
Net financial assets			
Beginning of year	<u>245,648</u>	<u>245,648</u>	<u>246,171</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 150,694</u>	<u>\$ 257,382</u>	<u>\$ 245,648</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Operating activities		
Annual surplus	\$ 267,947	\$ 286,209
Increase in taxes receivable	(5,337)	(3,054)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(12,184)	1,357
Increase in other assets	(53)	(91)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	16,308	4,334
Decrease in deferred revenue - general	(2,654)	(22,471)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue - obligatory reserve fund	94,223	(15,101)
Increase in inventories	(498)	(2,618)
Decrease in prepaid expenses	1,064	2,284
Non-cash activities		
Amortization of tangible capital assets	205,247	196,431
Donated tangible capital assets	(21,715)	(46,862)
Loss on disposition of tangible capital assets	7,407	12,039
Net income from Government Business Enterprises	(11,262)	(24,285)
Change in employee future benefits and other obligations	(482)	5,590
Change in solid waste landfill liabilities	(139)	47,385
	<u>537,872</u>	<u>441,147</u>
Investing activities		
Increase in portfolio investments	(13,401)	(108,579)
Decrease (increase) in long term receivables	16,194	(11,449)
Dividends received from Government Business Enterprises	14,076	11,464
	<u>16,869</u>	<u>(108,564)</u>
Financing activities		
Long term debt issued – municipal operations	-	110,820
Debt principal repayment – municipal operations	(45,728)	(37,749)
Lease obligation payment – municipal operations	(619)	(619)
Debt principal repayment – housing corporation	(5,836)	(5,705)
	<u>(52,183)</u>	<u>66,747</u>
Capital activities		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	<u>(445,146)</u>	<u>(408,325)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	57,412	(8,995)
Cash and cash equivalents		
Beginning of year	<u>130,292</u>	<u>139,287</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 187,704</u>	<u>\$ 130,292</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

1. Significant accounting policies

The Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Hamilton ("City") are prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada.

Significant accounting policies adopted by the City are as follows:

(a) Reporting entity

- (i) The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, changes in accumulated surplus, changes in net financial assets of the reporting entity. The consolidated financial statements include the activities of all committees of Council and the following boards and enterprises which are under the control of and accountable to Council:

Hamilton Police Services Board
The Hamilton Public Library Board
The Hamilton Street Railway Company
CityHousing Hamilton Corporation
Hamilton Business Improvement Areas including Ancaster BIA, Barton Street Village BIA, Concession Street BIA, Downtown Hamilton BIA, Dundas BIA, International Village BIA, King Street West BIA, Locke Street BIA, Main Street West Esplanade BIA, Downtown Stoney Creek BIA, Ottawa Street BIA, Waterdown BIA, and Westdale BIA
Flamborough Recreation Sub-Committees
Confederation Park
Hamilton Farmers Market

Interdepartmental and organizational transactions and balances are eliminated.

CityHousing Hamilton Corporation was incorporated as Hamilton Housing Corporation on January 1, 2001 as a result of the provincial legislation, Social Housing Reform Act 2000, which transferred the operation of various local housing authorities to municipalities. The City of Hamilton assumed social housing responsibilities on December 1, 2001. The share capital of CityHousing Hamilton Corporation is 100% owned by the City of Hamilton and a separate Board of Directors has been established to provide oversight responsibilities for the Corporation.

CityHousing Hamilton Corporation has been consolidated on a line-by-line basis after conforming with the City's accounting principles after eliminating inter-organizational transactions and balances.

During 2018, Hamilton Utilities Corporation, underwent a corporate restructuring whereby it transferred the subsidiaries controlled by it, to a new entity; Hamilton Enterprises Holding Corporation ("H.E.H.C.O."). H.E.H.C.O. is owned 100% by the City.

Hamilton Utilities Corporation ("H.U.C."), Hamilton Enterprises Holdings Corporation ("H.E.H.C.O") and Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. ("H.R.P.I.") are subsidiary corporations of the City and are accounted for on a modified equity basis, consistent with the generally accepted accounting treatment for government business enterprises (Note 5). Under the modified equity basis, the business enterprise's accounting principles are not adjusted to conform to those of the City and inter-organizational transactions and balances are not eliminated.

City of Hamilton trust fund assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties are excluded from the consolidated financial statements. Separate financial statements have been prepared.

1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(a) Reporting entity (continued)

Cemetery trust, and general trust funds administered by the City amounting to \$20,060,000 (2018 - \$18,788,000) have not been included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position nor have these operations been included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. Homes for the Aged trust funds administered by the City amounting to \$404,000 (2018 - \$383,000) have not been included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position nor have these operations been included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

- (i) The financial activities of certain entities associated with the City of Hamilton are not consolidated. The City's contributions to these entities are recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The entities that are not consolidated are as follows:

Hamilton Region Conservation Authority
Disabled and Aged Regional Transit System
The Hamilton Municipal Retirement Fund
The Hamilton-Wentworth Retirement Fund
The Pension Fund of the Employees of the Hamilton Street Railway
The Hamilton and Scourge Foundation Inc.
Township of Glanbrook Non-Profit Housing Corporation

- (ii) The taxation, other revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities with respect to the operations of various school boards are not reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

(b) Basis of accounting

Revenues are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues are recognized as they are earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized in the period goods and services are acquired and a liability is incurred.

(c) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include assumptions used in estimating provisions for allowance for doubtful accounts, donated tangible capital assets, solid waste landfill liabilities, liabilities for contaminated sites, and in performing actuarial valuations of employee future benefit obligations.

Where estimation uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(d) Cash, cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash held in financial institutions and temporary investments with maturities of 365 days or less. Investments are valued at cost and are written down when there is a decrease in value.

1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(e) Portfolio investments

Portfolio investments mainly comprise of federal, provincial and municipal government bonds and deposit notes and short term instruments of financial institutions. Portfolio investments are valued at cost less any amounts written off to reflect an other than temporary decline in value.

(f) Deferred revenue – obligatory reserve funds

Receipts which are restricted by legislation of senior governments or by agreement with external parties are in nature restricted revenues and are reported as deferred revenues. When qualifying expenses are incurred, deferred revenues are recognized into revenue in the fiscal period they are expended.

(g) Employee future benefits and other obligations

Employee future benefits and other obligations for retirement, post employment and pension benefits are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The accrued benefit obligations are determined using management’s best estimates of expected investment yields, wage and salary escalation, mortality rates, termination and retirement ages. The actuarial gain or loss is amortized over the expected average remaining life expectancy of the members of the employee groups.

(h) Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. Donated and/or contributed assets are capitalized and recorded at their estimated fair value upon acquisition and recognized in revenue. Leased tangible capital assets are valued at the present value of the future minimum lease payments. Certain tangible capital assets for which historical cost information is not available have been recorded at current replacement cost deflated by a relevant inflation factor.

Amortization for road linear assets is calculated on a consumption basis using road deterioration curves. All other tangible capital assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. One half of the annual amortization is recorded as amortization expense in the year of acquisition or construction and in the year of disposal. Estimated useful lives range from 2 years to 100 years as follows:

General - Land improvements	20 to 75 years
General - Buildings	20 to 50 years
General - Vehicles	3 to 20 years
General – Computer hardware and software	3 to 5 years
General – Other – Machinery and equipment	2 to 100 years
Infrastructure – Bridges and other structures	40 to 75 years
Infrastructure – Water and wastewater facilities	20 to 40 years
Infrastructure – Water, wastewater, storm and road linear	18 to 100 years

The City has leased tangible capital assets which are amortized over the term of the lease, ranging from 5 to 50 years. The cost, accumulated amortization, net book value and amortization expense have been reported in these consolidated financial statements.

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is ready for use. All interest on debt incurred during construction of related tangible capital assets is expensed in operations in the year incurred. Works of art and historic treasures are not recorded as assets in these financial statements.

1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(i) Inventories

Inventories held for consumption or use are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

(j) Government transfers

Government transfers are recognized as revenue in the financial statements when the transfer is authorized, any eligibility criteria are met, and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made except, when and to the extent that, stipulations by the transferor give rise to an obligation that meet the definition of a liability. Government transfers that meet the definition of a liability are recognized as revenue as the liability is extinguished.

(k) Long term receivables

Long term receivables are valued at cost. Recoverability is assessed annually, and a valuation allowance is recorded when recoverability has been impaired. Long term receivables are written off when they are no longer recoverable. Recoveries of long term receivables previously written off are recognized in the year received. Interest revenue is recognized as it is earned. Long term receivables with significant concessionary terms are reported as an expense on the Consolidated Statement of Operations. Long term receivables are reported in Note 4.

(l) Tax revenue

Taxes receivable and tax revenue are recognized when they meet the definition of an asset, the tax is authorized, and the taxable event has occurred.

(m) Landfill Liability

The Ontario Environmental Protection Act (the "Act") sets out the regulatory requirements for the closure and maintenance of landfill sites. Under the Act, the City is required to provide for closure and post-closure care of solid waste landfill sites. The costs related to these obligations are provided for all inactive landfill sites and active landfill sites based on usage.

(n) Contaminated Sites

Contamination is a result of contamination being introduced into air, soil, water or sediment of a chemical, organic or radioactive material or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard. The liability is recorded net of any expected recoveries. A liability for remediation of contaminated sites is recognized when all the following criteria are met:

- (i) an environmental standard exists
- (ii) contamination exceeds the environmental standard
- (iii) the City is directly responsible or accepts responsibility
- (iv) it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and
- (v) a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

The liability is estimated based upon information that is available when the financial statements are prepared. It is based upon the costs directly attributable to the remediation activities required using a present value measurement technique.

1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(o) Related parties disclosure

A related party exists when one party has the ability to exercise control or shared control over the other. Related parties include key management personnel, their close family members and the entities they control or have shared control over. Related party transactions are disclosed if they occurred at a value different from that which would have been arrived at if parties were unrelated and the transaction has material effect on the consolidated financial statements. As at December 31, 2019, there are no such related party transactions to disclose.

(p) Contingent assets

Contingent assets are possible assets arising from existing conditions or situations involving uncertainty which will be ultimately resolved when one of more future events occur that are not within the government's control. Disclosure of a contingent asset is required under this standard when the occurrence of a confirming future event is likely. As at December 31, 2019, there are no such contingent assets to disclose.

(q) Contractual rights

Contractual rights requires the disclosure of information in regards to future rights to economic resources arising from contracts or agreements that will result in a future economic benefit. Such disclosure includes the nature, extent and timing of contractual rights. The City is involved with various contracts and agreements arising in the ordinary course of business. This results in contractual rights to economic resources. Contractual rights are reported in note 18.

(r) Assets

The assets standard provides additional guidance on the definition of assets and what is meant by economic resources, control, past transactions and events and from which future economic benefits are to be obtained. For the year ended December 31, 2019, all material assets have been disclosed and reported within this definition.

(s) Inter-Entity transactions

Inter-entity transactions standard provides guidance on how to account for and report transactions between public sector entities that comprises a governments reporting entity. This section provides guidance for the measurement of these transactions. All City transactions are recorded at the exchange amount, being the amount agreed to by both parties. For the year ended December 31, 2019, there were no material inter-entity transactions to disclose.

2. Adoption of New Accounting standards

The following standard issued by PSAB was effective January 1, 2019. The implementation of this standard had no impact on the annual surplus, net debt or accounting surplus, but resulted in an additional note disclosure.

(a) PS 3430 Restructuring transactions

Restructuring transactions establishes standards for recognizing and measuring assets and liabilities transferred in a restructuring transaction. Financial statement presentation and disclosure is required. For the year ended December 31, 2019 there is no restructuring transaction to be disclosed.

3. Cash and cash equivalents and portfolio investments

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of:		
Cash on hand	\$ 157	\$ 141
Cash held in banks	181,331	123,968
Temporary investments	6,216	6,183
	<u>\$ 187,704</u>	<u>\$ 130,292</u>
Portfolio investments are comprised of:		
Unrestricted investments	\$ 685,667	\$ 770,817
Designated investments (obligatory reserve funds)	331,278	237,055
Designated investments (Hamilton Future Fund)	52,963	48,635
	<u>\$ 1,069,908</u>	<u>\$ 1,056,507</u>

Portfolio investments have a market value of \$1,094,050,000 (2018 - \$1,054,605,000). The City has purchased \$3,057,000 (2018 - \$3,056,000) of its own debentures which have not been cancelled. This investment in its own debenture is included in portfolio investments on the consolidated statement of financial position. The gross amounts of these debentures is \$383,001,000 (2018 - \$428,728,000)

4. Long term receivables

The City has long -term receivables in the amount of \$47,379,000 (2018 - \$63,573,000.) The long-term receivables are comprised of:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Development charge deferral agreements	\$ 30,012	\$ 37,253
Mortgages receivable:		
Downtown convert to rent program	5,425	13,043
Hamilton Utilities Corporation	6,480	6,804
Hamilton Renewable Power Inc.	-	278
Sheraton Hotel loan	755	868
Other City loan programs	3,764	3,987
Loans to other agencies and organizations	3,632	4,211
Less: Provision for loans with concessionary terms	(2,689)	(2,871)
	<u>\$ 47,379</u>	<u>\$ 63,573</u>

Development charge deferral agreements and mortgage receivables are loans which are secured by property, with interest rates varying from 0% to 5.61% and terms of one year to thirty years.

Loans to other agencies and organizations included loans to Hamilton Conservation Authority, Catholic Children's Aid Society, Winona Peach Festival, Redeemer University College, the Bob Kemp Hospice, Canadian Football Hall of Fame, Rosedale tennis Club with interest rates varying from 0% to 6.75% for terms of up to thirty years.

5. Investment in Government Business Enterprises

Hamilton Utilities Corporation, Hamilton Enterprises Holdings Corporation and Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. are subsidiary corporations of the City and are accounted for on a modified equity basis, consistent with the generally accepted accounting treatment for government business enterprises.

In compliance with provincial legislation enacted to restructure the electrical industry in Ontario, the Hamilton Utilities Corporation ("H.U.C.") was incorporated on June 1, 2000. All of the assets and liabilities of the predecessor hydro-electric systems were transferred to H.U.C. During 2004, Hamilton Hydro Energy Inc. was established with the City's acceptance of a dividend in kind in the form of one common share from H.U.C. Effective June 1, 2005, the articles of incorporation reflected the amendment of a name change to Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. ("H.R.P.I."). On December 18, 2017 Hamilton Enterprises Holdings Corporation ("H.E.H.C.O.") was incorporated.

The amounts related to government business enterprises as reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for 2019 and 2018 is as reported by the Hamilton Utilities Corporation, Hamilton Enterprises Corporation and Hamilton Renewable Power Inc.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Net income from H.U.C.	\$ 12,899	\$ 25,517
Net loss from H.E.H.C.O.	(1,815)	(1,366)
Net income from H.R.P.I.	178	134
	<u>\$ 11,262</u>	<u>\$ 24,285</u>

The City's investment in Government Business Enterprises is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Investment in H.U.C.	\$ 327,254	\$ 330,896
Investment in H.E.H.C.O.	(3,172)	(1,357)
Investment in H.R.P.I.	(231)	(302)
	<u>\$ 323,851</u>	<u>\$ 329,237</u>

5. Investment in Government Business Enterprises (continued)

The following table provides condensed supplementary financial information for Hamilton Utilities Corporation reported by H.U.C. at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 respectively.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial Position		
Current assets	\$ 388	\$ 1,714
Notes receivable from Corporation	51,772	51,772
Long term receivables	6,156	6,480
Due from related parties	2,130	-
Future payments in lieu of income taxes	461	-
Investment in Alectra Holdings Inc.	351,550	356,595
Total assets	<u>\$ 412,457</u>	<u>\$ 416,561</u>
Current liabilities		
(including current portion of long term debt)	324	1,910
Non-current liabilities	74,100	72,976
Total liabilities	<u>74,424</u>	<u>74,886</u>
Change in equity on restructuring	10,779	10,779
Shareholder's equity	<u>\$ 327,254</u>	<u>\$ 330,896</u>
Results of operations		
Revenues	\$ 353	\$ 386
Operating expenses	(816)	(3,150)
Equity income in Alectra Holdings Inc.	10,541	19,272
Financing expenses	(248)	(282)
Other income	248	442
Gain on dilution of investment in Alectra Holdings Inc.	979	-
Equity earnings from operations	<u>11,057</u>	<u>16,668</u>
Recovery of taxes	1,842	8,849
Net income before other comprehensive income	<u>12,899</u>	<u>25,517</u>
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(2,572)	816
Refundable dividend tax on hand	-	(40,506)
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 10,327</u>	<u>\$ (14,173)</u>
Dividends paid	13,969	11,361

Hamilton Utilities Corporation long term receivables and borrowings:

Included in non-current liabilities is a loan payable to the City in the amount of \$6,480,000. The loan payable and the long term receivable relate to the acquisition of the City of Hamilton's Central Utilities Plant. Included in receivables is receivable from H.E.H.C.O. The loan payable and the long term receivable bear interest at 4.06% per annum and are repayable \$324 annually principal plus interest and are due January 1, 2019 with four 5 year renewal terms. At December 31, 2019, the City has not given notice that it will not renew the loan agreement as such, the loan remains in non-current liabilities.

5. Investment in Government Business Enterprises (continued)

The following table provides condensed supplementary financial information for Hamilton Enterprises Holding Corporation reported by H.E.H.C.O. at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 respectively.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial Position		
Current assets	\$ 8,376	\$ 5,169
Capital assets	53,086	53,858
Intangible Assets	1,617	2,003
Right-of-use assets	4,028	-
Goodwill	571	571
Future payments in lieu of income taxes	4,514	31
Total assets	<u>72,192</u>	<u>61,632</u>
Current liabilities (including current portion of long term debt)	7,678	2,433
Non-current liabilities	78,762	71,624
Total liabilities	<u>86,440</u>	<u>74,057</u>
Shareholder's deficit		
Non-controlling interest	83	91
Opening equity	(11,159)	(11,159)
Total shareholder's deficit	<u>\$ (3,172)</u>	<u>\$ (1,357)</u>
Results of operations		
Revenues	\$ 14,307	\$ 11,138
Operating expenses	(15,686)	(11,896)
Financing expense	(1,187)	(750)
Other income	199	135
Equity earnings from operations	<u>(2,367)</u>	<u>(1,373)</u>
Recovery of taxes	<u>(544)</u>	<u>(7)</u>
Net loss before dividends	(1,823)	(1,366)
Other comprehensive income	-	4
Non-controlling interest	8	5
Net loss	<u>\$ (1,815)</u>	<u>\$ (1,357)</u>

5. Investment in Government Business Enterprises (continued)

The following table provides condensed supplementary financial information for Hamilton Renewable Power Incorporated reported by H.R.P.I. at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 respectively.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial Position		
Current assets	\$ 1,132	\$ 850
Capital assets	5,602	6,187
Other assets	32	32
Total assets	<u>6,766</u>	<u>7,069</u>
Current liabilities		
(Including current portion of long term debt)	685	996
Future payment in lieu of taxes	312	375
Total liabilities	<u>997</u>	<u>1,371</u>
Shareholder's equity	6,000	6,000
Net deficit	<u>\$ (231)</u>	<u>\$ (302)</u>
Results of operations		
Revenues	\$ 3,199	\$ 3,041
Expenses	(3,021)	(2,907)
Net income	<u>\$ 178</u>	<u>\$ 134</u>
Dividends paid	107	103

Government Business Enterprises - related party transactions

The following summarizes the Corporations related party transactions with Government Business Enterprises for the year ended December 31.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenue		
Dividend revenue from H.U.C.	\$ 13,969	\$ 11,361
Dividend revenue from H.R.P.I.	107	103
Property and other taxes received by the City from H.U.C.	529	632
Sale of Methane to H.R.P.I.	814	771
Expenditures		
Hydro purchased by the City from H.E.H.C.O.	37,874	34,447
Thermal Energy purchased from H.R.P.I.	284	224
Assets		
Accounts receivable from H.R.P.I.	415	392
Long term receivable from H.U.C.	6,480	6,804

6. Deferred revenue – obligatory reserve funds

The deferred revenue – obligatory reserve funds, reported on the consolidated statement of financial position, are made up of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Development charge reserve funds	\$ 186,994	\$ 128,146
Recreational land dedicated under the Planning Act	56,154	42,763
Gasoline tax revenue: Provincial	9,699	17,332
Federal	54,846	27,604
Building Permit Revenue	23,493	20,700
Other (Main Street Revitalization)	92	510
	\$ 331,278	\$ 237,055

7. Deferred revenue – obligatory reserve funds

The deferred revenue – obligatory reserve funds, reported on the consolidated statement of financial position, are made up of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Balance at the beginning of the year	\$ 237,055	\$ 252,156
Add:		
Developer and other contributions	134,567	94,686
Interest earned	6,516	6,219
Provincial and Federal Funding	69,166	44,474
	210,249	145,379
Less:		
Contributions used in operating and capital funds	116,026	160,480
Balance at the end of the year	\$ 331,278	\$ 237,055

8. Long term liabilities – municipal operations

- (a) The long term liabilities – municipal operations consists of long term debt for serial debentures and loans that mature in the years 2020 to 2044 with interest rates varying between 1.61% and 5.05% and obligations for leased tangible capital assets with payments from 2020 to 2051 at a discount rate of 5%. The balance of long term liabilities consists of the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Long term liabilities incurred by the City	\$ 383,001	\$ 428,728
Long term liabilities for leased tangible capital assets incurred by the City	2,741	3,360
Net long term liabilities	\$ 385,742	\$ 432,088

8. Long term liabilities – municipal operations (continued)

- (b) Of the \$383,001,000 long term debt (2018 - \$428,728,000) certain principal payments do not represent a burden on general City revenue, as they are to be recovered in future years from other sources.

The total long-term debt is to be recovered from the following:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
General Revenue	\$ 255,373	\$ 290,812
Water & Wastewater user charges	127,628	137,916
	\$ 383,001	\$ 428,728

- (c) The total City principal repayments of long term debt in each of the next five years and thereafter are due as follows:

	General Revenues	Water & Wastewater User Charges	<u>2019</u>
2020	\$ 29,384	\$ 12,146	\$ 41,530
2021	29,514	12,151	\$ 41,665
2022	29,932	12,156	\$ 42,088
2023	24,710	12,103	\$ 36,813
2024	22,548	12,046	\$ 34,594
2025 and thereafter	119,285	67,026	\$ 186,311
Total	\$ 255,373	\$ 127,628	\$ 383,001

- (d) The total City principal repayments of leased tangible capital assets in each of the next five years and thereafter are due as follows:

	<u>2019</u>
2020	\$ 619
2021	335
2022	62
2023	62
2024	62
2025 and thereafter	1,601
Total	\$ 2,741

- (e) Total charges for the year for long term debt are as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Principal repayments	\$ 45,728	\$ 37,749
Interest expense	12,161	10,967
	\$ 57,889	\$ 48,716

- (f) Total charges for the year for leased tangible capital assets are as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Principal repayments	\$ 619	\$ 619
Interest expense	257	247
	\$ 876	\$ 866

9. Long term debt – housing corporation

(a) The balance of long term debt – housing corporations reported on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position represents capital assets of the CityHousing Hamilton that are financed by mortgages. The mortgages mature in the years 2020 to 2030 with interest rates varying between 0.96% and 5.83%. The mortgage obligations for CityHousing Hamilton are \$46,967,000 (2018 - \$52,803,000).

(b) The principal repayments of these mortgages in each of the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

		<u>2019</u>
2020	\$	8,461
2021		6,308
2022		12,727
2023		3,473
2024		7,550
2025 and thereafter		8,448
	<u>\$</u>	<u>46,967</u>

(c) Total charges for the year for long term debt - housing corporations are as follows:

		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>
Principal repayments	\$	5,836	\$	5,705
Interest expense		1,349		1,463
	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,185</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,168</u>

(d) Other long term debt incurred by the City of Hamilton’s housing corporations, representing capital assets financed by debentures issued by the Ontario Housing Corporation of \$8,340,000 (2018 - \$11,000,000), is not included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The Social Housing Reform Act, 2000 transferred the ownership and responsibility for the administration of Province of Ontario public housing to the City of Hamilton as a local housing corporation. The transfer, effective January 1, 2001, included land and buildings at no cost. The servicing of long term debt remains the obligation of the Province of Ontario.

10. Employee future benefits and other obligations

The City provides certain employee benefits that require funding in future periods. An estimate of these liabilities has been recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. These amounts are summarized as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Accrued Benefit Obligation		
Sick leave benefit plan	\$ 58,789	\$ 57,470
Long term disability	33,431	27,869
Workplace safety and insurance board liabilities (WSIB)	97,787	93,436
Retirement benefits	153,571	151,311
Vacation benefits	26,806	26,906
Pension benefit plans (Note 10 (f))	<u>(2,196)</u>	<u>9,917</u>
	368,188	366,909
Net unamortized actuarial gain	1,513	5,762
Valuation Allowance	<u>2,994</u>	<u>506</u>
Accrued Liability	<u>\$ 372,695</u>	<u>\$ 373,177</u>

The City has established reserves for some of these liabilities totalling \$67,885,000 (2018 - \$66,073,000) as described in the following notes.

The continuity of employee future benefits and other obligations are summarized as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Liability for Employee Future Benefits and Other Obligations		
balance at beginning of the year	\$ 373,177	\$ 367,587
Plan amendment per actuarial valuation	2,488	2,940
Benefit expense	32,101	28,033
Interest expense	13,420	12,255
Amortization of actuarial loss on accrued benefit obligations	3,220	2,873
Amortization of actuarial gain on earnings on pension assets	(3,261)	(1,802)
Benefit payments	<u>(48,450)</u>	<u>(38,709)</u>
Liability for Employee Future Benefits and Other Obligations		
balance at end of the year	<u>\$ 372,695</u>	<u>\$ 373,177</u>

10. Employee future benefits and other obligations (continued)

The expenses related to these employee benefits and other obligations are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. These expenses are summarized as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Plan amendment per actuarial valuation	\$ 2,488	\$ 2,940
Benefit expense	32,101	28,033
Interest expense	13,420	12,255
Amortization of net actuarial loss	(41)	1,071
	\$ 47,968	\$ 44,299

Actuarial valuations are performed on post employment, retirement benefits and pension benefits to provide estimates of the accrued benefit obligations. These estimates are based on a number of assumptions about future events including interest rates, inflation rates, salary and wage increases, medical and dental cost increases and mortality. The assumptions are determined at the time of the actuarial valuations and are reviewed annually. Consequently, different assumptions may be used as follows:

	Discount	Return	Inflation	Payroll	Dental	Life
	Rate	on Assets	Rate	Increases	Increases	(Years)
Vested sick leave	3.50%	NA	2.0%	3.0%	NA	15
Long term disability	3.00%	NA	2.0%	3.0%	NA	8.0
Workplace safety and insurance	3.50%	NA	2.0%	3.0%	NA	10.0
Retirement Benefits Health and Dental	3.75%	NA	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	19
Pensions Benefits (non-OMERS)	4.40 to 4.90%	4.40 to 4.90%	2.0%	NA (1)	NA	7.44 to 9.3

Notes:

(1) There is no estimate for future salary and wage increases in the non-OMERS pension plans as the active employees have been transferred to OMERS.

(a) Liability for sick leave benefit plans

The City provides a sick leave benefit plan for certain employee groups. Under the sick leave benefit plan of the City, unused sick leave can accumulate, and employees may become entitled to a cash payment when they leave the City's employment. An actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2017 has estimated the accrued benefit obligation at \$58,789,000 (2018 – \$57,470,000). Changes in valuation assumptions have resulted in an increase in the liability to \$58,789,000 from the expected liability of \$55,214,000. The actuarial loss as at December 31, 2019 of \$3,575,000 is being amortized over 15 years, which is the expected average remaining life expectancy of the members of the employee groups. Reserves established to provide for this liability are included on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the amount of \$9,586,000 (2018 - \$8,069,000).

10. Employee future benefits and other obligations (continued)

(b) Liability for long term disability

The City provides benefits in the event of total disability for certain employee groups. An actuarial valuation of the City's self-insured long-term disability program as at December 31, 2019 has estimated the accrued benefit obligation at \$33,431,000 (2018- \$27,869,000). Changes in valuation assumptions have resulted in an increase in the liability of \$33,431,000 from the expected liability of \$27,550,000. The actuarial loss as at December 31, 2019 of \$5,881,000 is being amortized over 8.0 years, which is the expected average remaining life expectancy of the members of the employee groups. Reserves established to provide for this liability are included on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the amount of \$15,612,000 (2018 - \$15,814,000)

(c) Liability for workplace safety and insurance

The City is liable for compensation related to workplace injuries as stipulated by the Workplace Safety & Insurance Act. An actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2019 estimated the accrued benefit obligation for workplace safety & insurance existing claims and future pension awards at \$97,787,000 (2018 - \$93,436,000). Changes in valuation assumptions have resulted in an increase in the liability to \$97,787,000 from the expected liability of \$89,286,000. The actuarial loss of \$8,501,000 is being amortized over 10.0 years, which is the expected average remaining life expectancy of the plan members in various groups. Reserves established to provide for this liability are included on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the amount of \$41,110,000 (2018 - \$40,652,000).

(d) Liability for retirement benefits

The City provides certain health, dental and life insurance benefits between the time an employee retires under the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) or the normal retirement age and up to the age of 65 years. An actuarial valuation at December 31, 2018 estimated the accrued benefit obligation at \$153,571,000 (2018 - \$151,311,000). Changes in valuation assumptions have resulted in an increase in liability to \$153,571,000 from the expected liability of \$140,027,000. The actuarial loss of \$13,544,000 is being amortized over 19 years, which is the expected average remaining life expectancy of the plan members in various groups. The City has \$7,430,000 (2018 - \$7,122,000) set aside in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position to assist with this liability.

(e) Liability for vacation benefits

The City is liable for vacation days earned by its employees as at December 31, 2019 but not taken until a later date. The liability as at December 31, 2019 has been estimated at \$26,806,000 (2018 - \$26,906,000), of which \$16,938,000 is funded by City departments' budgets (2018 - \$17,223,000) Reserves established to provide for this liability are included on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the amount of \$1,577,000 (2018 - \$1,538,000), and the remaining liability of \$8,291,000 is unfunded (2018 - \$8,145,000)

(f) Liability for pensions plans

In addition to the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) described in Note 11, the City also provides pension benefits under three other plans. The actuarial valuations for Hamilton-Wentworth Retirement Fund and Hamilton Street Railway Retirement Fund at December 31, 2016 and Hamilton Municipal Retirement Fund at December 31, 2017 estimated the combined accrued benefit asset of the pension plans at \$2,196,000 from an obligation of \$9,917,000 in 2018. Changes in valuation resulted in an asset of \$2,196,000 from an expected liability of \$33,812,000. The actuarial gain of \$36,008,000 is being amortized over 7.4 to 9.3 years, which is the expected average remaining life expectancy of the plan members.

11. Pension agreements

(a) Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System

The City makes contributions to the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), which is a multi-employer plan, on behalf of approximately 7,226 members of City staff and councillors. The plan is a defined benefit plan, which specifies the amount of retirement benefit to be received by employees, based on the length of credited service and average earnings.

The latest actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2019 indicates a “going concern” Actuarial Deficit based on the plan’s current member and employer contribution rates. Contributions were made in the 2019 calendar year at rates ranging from 9.0% to 15.8% depending on the member’s designated retirement age and level of earnings. As a result \$60,176,000 (2018 - \$59,519,000) was contributed to the OMERS plan for current service.

As OMERS is a multi-employer pension plan, any pension plan surpluses or deficits are a joint responsibility of all Ontario municipalities and their employees.

(b) Other pension plans – Hamilton-Wentworth Retirement Fund, Hamilton Municipal Retirement Fund, and Hamilton Street Railway Retirement Fund.

Approximately 317 current employees and 955 former employees of the City are members of three defined benefit plans; Hamilton-Wentworth, Hamilton Municipal and the Hamilton Street Railway Retirement Funds and are current or future beneficiaries under their terms and conditions. Actuarial valuations of the pension plans for funding purposes are required under the Pension Benefits Act every three years. The actuarial valuations of the pension plans for accounting purposes provide different results than the valuations for funding purposes. For funding purposes, one of the pension plans is in a surplus position and the other two plans are in a deficit position.

The actuarial valuations for these pension plans are based on a number of assumptions about future events including mortality, inflation and interest rates. The two plans with deficits are paying a number of amortization schedules that will be completed over a period ranging from two to fifteen years.

The accrued pension liability reported in the Consolidated statement of Financial Position is comprised as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Accrued pension benefit obligation	\$ 335,238	\$ 321,429
Pension plan assets		
Marketable securities (Market Value)	<u>(337,434)</u>	<u>(311,512)</u>
Other assets	(2,196)	9,917
Unamortized actuarial gain	<u>33,014</u>	<u>33,363</u>
Accrued pension liability	<u>30,818</u>	43,280
Valuation allowance	2,994	506
Adjusted accrued pension liability	<u>\$ 33,812</u>	<u>\$ 43,786</u>

11. Pension agreements (continued)

The actuarial gain or loss on pension fund assets and the actuarial gain or loss on accrued pension benefits obligations are comprised as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Expected pension fund assets at the end of year	\$ 312,488	\$ 342,517
Actual pension fund assets at end of year	<u>337,434</u>	<u>311,512</u>
Actuarial gain (loss) on pension fund assets	<u>24,946</u>	<u>(31,005)</u>
Expected accrued pension benefit obligation at end of year		
Actual accrued pension benefit obligation at end of year	314,820	337,402
Accrued pension benefit obligation	<u>335,238</u>	<u>321,429</u>
Actuarial (loss) gain on accrued pension benefit obligation	<u>\$ (20,418)</u>	<u>\$ 15,973</u>

The expense related to the pension plans are comprised as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Amortization of net actuarial loss on accrued pension benefit obligation	\$ (2,198)	\$ (81)
Amortization of net actuarial loss on pension plan assets	<u>(2,680)</u>	<u>(4,599)</u>
Net amortization	<u>(4,878)</u>	<u>(4,680)</u>
Interest on average accrued pension benefit obligation	\$ 16,727	\$ 16,305
Expected return on average pension plan assets	<u>(16,405)</u>	<u>(16,364)</u>
Net interest	<u>322</u>	<u>(59)</u>
Change in valuation allowance	<u>2,488</u>	<u>506</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ (2,068)</u>	<u>\$ (4,233)</u>

Payment of \$7,907,303 (2018 - \$7,633,836) have been applied to reduce the Hamilton - Wentworth and Hamilton Street Railway plans' deficit as actuarially determined for funding purposes. The pension deficit for the pension plans as at December 31, 2019 will be funded by the City with payments as follows:

2020		\$ 4,267
2021		3,722
2022		3,722
2023		2,471
2024 and thereafter		<u>10,535</u>
Total		<u>\$ 24,717</u>

12. Solid waste landfill liabilities

The City owns and operates one open landfill site and it owns and maintains twelve (12) closed landfill sites.

The active landfill site in the Glanbrook community was opened in 1980 covering 220 hectares over three phases with a capacity of 14,824,000 cubic metres of waste. The total capacity has been broken into three Phases, with Phase 1 having a capacity of 8,403,000, Phase 2 having a capacity of 4,855,000 cubic metres and Phase 3 having a capacity of 1,566,000 cubic metres. As at December 31, 2018 landfilling has ceased in Phase 1, and is occurring in Phase 2. Filling was initiated at Phase 2 in mid-December and therefore as of December 31, 2019 still retained an estimated 4,855,000 cubic meters of capacity. It is estimated Phase 2 will reach its capacity and close in 2046. Construction of Phase 3 has not been initiated. It is estimated that the site will reach full capacity and close in 2055.

In 2019 approximately 41% of waste generated was diverted from landfills (2018 - 30%).

The closure costs for the open Glanbrook landfill site and post closure care costs for the closed sites are based upon management estimates, adjusted by 3.0% inflation. These costs are then discounted back to December 31, 2019 using a discount factor of 4.0%. Post closure care for the Glanbrook site is estimated to be required for 50 years from the date of closure of each phase. Studies continue to be undertaken to assess the liability associated with the City's closed landfill sites and the estimates will be updated as new information arises.

Estimated expenses for closure and post-closure care are \$80,076,000 (2018 - \$78,973,000). The expenses remaining to be recognized are \$8,656,000 (2018 - \$7,414,000). The liability of \$71,420,000 (2018 - \$71,559,000) for closure of the operational site and post closure care of the closed sites has been reported on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. A reserve of \$1,189,000 (2018 - \$1,134,000) was established to finance the future cost for closed landfill sites.

13. Accumulated Surplus

The accumulated surplus balance is comprised of balances in reserves and discretionary reserve funds, operating surplus, capital surplus, unfunded liabilities to be recovered in the future, investment in government business enterprises and investment in tangible capital assets.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Reserves and discretionary reserve funds set aside for specific purposes by Council are comprised of the following:		
Working funds	\$ 84,933	\$ 84,867
Contingencies	996	971
Replacement of equipment	51,225	61,433
Sick leave (Note 10)	9,586	8,069
Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) (Note 10)	41,110	40,652
Pension plans	3,341	3,258
Tax stabilization	20,760	23,215
General government	16,785	8,848
Protection services	1,184	642
Transportation services	25,396	23,319
Environmental services	224,625	259,368
Health and social services	5,478	8,945
Recreation and cultural services	23,848	26,019
Planning and development	8,046	13,190
Other unallocated	95,200	97,584
Hamilton Future Fund (Note 14)	52,963	48,635
Total reserves and discretionary reserve funds	\$ 665,476	\$ 709,015
Operating surplus		
Flamborough recreation sub-committees	\$ 227	\$ 267
Business improvement areas	1,268	1,221
Housing operations	72,343	86,500
Confederation Park operations	280	445
Total operating surplus	\$ 74,118	\$ 88,433
Capital surplus		
Municipal operations	\$ 113,897	\$ 119,822
Housing operations	59,960	17,072
Total capital surplus	\$ 173,857	\$ 136,894
Unfunded liabilities		
Employee benefit obligations	\$ (348,328)	\$ (348,832)
Solid Waste landfill liabilities	(71,420)	(71,559)
Total unfunded liabilities	\$ (419,748)	\$ (420,391)
Investment in Government Business Enterprises (Note 5)	\$ 323,851	\$ 329,237
Investment in tangible capital assets	\$ 5,393,649	\$ 5,102,640
Accumulated surplus	\$ 6,211,203	\$ 5,945,828

14. Hamilton Future Fund

The Hamilton Future Fund was established by the Council of the City of Hamilton in 2002 from the proceeds from Hamilton Utilities Corporation of the net assets owed to the City upon restructuring of the electrical industry. The Hamilton Future Fund is used to create and protect a permanent legacy for current and future generations of Hamiltonians to enjoy economic prosperity and improved quality of life.

The continuity of the Hamilton Future Fund is as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Balance at the beginning of the year	\$ <u>48,635</u>	\$ <u>44,322</u>
Current operations		
Investment income	1,203	1,232
Repayment of Waste Management Projects	8,440	8,648
St Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Foundation	-	(675)
Westdale Cinema Group	-	(250)
Other	<u>(1,142)</u>	<u>(586)</u>
	<u>8,501</u>	<u>8,369</u>
Tangible capital assets		
Waste Management Projects	(173)	(13)
Parkland	(4,000)	(43)
Other	-	(4,000)
	<u>(4,173)</u>	<u>(4,056)</u>
Balance at the end of the year	\$ <u>52,963</u>	\$ <u>48,635</u>

15. Taxation

	Budget <u>2019</u>	Actual <u>2019</u>	Actual <u>2018</u>
Taxation from real property	\$ 1,098,165	\$ 1,102,694	\$ 1,071,092
Taxation from other governments payments in lieu of taxes	<u>16,227</u>	<u>16,551</u>	<u>16,256</u>
	1,114,392	1,119,245	1,087,348
Less: Taxation collected on behalf of school boards	<u>(198,980)</u>	<u>(202,119)</u>	<u>(199,119)</u>
Net taxes available for municipal purposes	<u>\$ 915,412</u>	<u>\$ 917,126</u>	<u>\$ 888,229</u>

The City is required to levy and collect taxes on behalf of the school boards. The taxes levied over (under) the amounts requisitioned are recorded as accounts payable (receivable).

16. Government transfers

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Government transfers received:		
Policing	\$ 4,447	\$ 4,518
Court security	4,947	4,201
Transit	5,019	4,300
Waste diversion	5,095	5,093
Public Health	33,218	33,381
Ambulance services	25,300	24,517
Social assistance	133,015	137,819
Long term care homes	22,783	22,157
Child care	78,758	84,389
Housing	23,672	30,000
Federal and provincial gas tax	51,241	39,212
Other	4,126	3,855
Infrastructure	56,212	61,332
	<u>\$ 447,833</u>	<u>\$ 454,774</u>
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Government transfers paid:		
Social assistance	\$ 124,549	\$ 131,160
Social housing	53,050	55,788
Grants	22,221	22,538
	<u>\$ 199,820</u>	<u>\$ 209,486</u>

17. Contractual obligations

- (a) The City has outstanding contractual obligations of approximately \$556,293,000 at December 31, 2019 for capital works (2018 - \$488,067,000). City Council has authorized the financing of these obligations.
- (b) The City has agreements with the Ontario Realty Corporation, an agency of the Provincial Government of Ontario, for various capital projects. The outstanding future obligations at December 31, 2019 amounting to \$2,810,000 (2018 - \$3,307,000) are not reflected in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Payments made to the Ontario Realty Corporation amounting to \$497,000 in 2019 (2018 - \$158,000) are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- (c) The City is legislated under the Development Charges Act to fund Government of Ontario ("GO") Transit's Growth and Capital Expansion Plan. The obligation at December 31, 2019 of \$3,460,000 (2018 - \$3,460,000) is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Payments are collected through development charges and remitted to Metrolinx, an agency of the Government of the Province of Ontario. Payments made to Metrolinx in the amount of \$500,000 in 2019 (2018 - \$367,000) are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- (d) The City has a contract with Waste Connections (formerly known as Progressive Waste Services) for the transfer, hauling and disposal of the City's solid waste, including the operations of the City's Transfer Stations and Community Recycling Centre. The term of the agreement is ten years and two months for the period of January 1, 2010 to February 29, 2020. The contract fees amounting to \$7,883,000 for 2019 (2018 - \$7,969,000) are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

17. Contractual obligations (continued)

- (e) The City has a contract with GFL Environmental Inc. for the provision of curbside/roadside collection of organics, garbage, leaf and yard, bulk waste for one-half of the City, including curbside/roadside recycling, automated recycling and bin waste collection for the entire City. The agreement ends on March 28, 2020 (with an option of one year extension). Contract fees amounting to \$17,602,000 for 2019 (2018 - \$18,393,000) are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- (f) The City has lease agreements with Disabled and Aged Regional Transit System (D.A.R.T.S.) for the delivery of specialized transportation services. The duration of this agreement is for a term, commencing on the 1st day of July, 2017, and ending on the 30th day of June, 2020 (the "Term"). Should extension or other form of renewal not be approved by City Council prior to the expiry of the Agreement at the end of the term, the Agreement will continue on a monthly basis until a new contract is signed or until cancelled on one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days' notice by either party. The annual contract fees amounting to \$22,545,000 for 2019 (2018 - \$20,622,000) are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- (g) The City has executed lease agreements for administrative office space, parking lots and other land leases requiring annual payments in future years as they become due and payable in the amount of \$47,735,000 (2018 - \$37,332,000). The minimum lease payments for these leases over the next five years and thereafter are:

2020	\$	6,716
2021		4,859
2022		3,289
2023		3,082
2024		2,869
2025 and thereafter		26,920
Total	\$	47,735

- (h) The City has a Credit Facility Agreement dated March 14, 2012 with a Canadian chartered bank to borrow up to \$117,740,000, consisting of \$65,000,000 in a revolving demand facility, and two non-revolving term facilities in the amounts of \$38,000,000 and \$14,740,000.

On May 8, 2012, the City took a drawdown of \$38,000,000 and \$14,740,000 from the two non-revolving term facilities, by undertaking two term loans. No other amounts have been drawn from the Credit Facility Agreement and therefore, as at December 31, 2019, the City has \$65,000,000 in a revolving demand facility.

The first term loan of \$14,740,000 was paid in full on May 8, 2017. The second term loan has an original principal of \$38,000,000, a term of 15 years, and an annual principal repayment of \$2,533,000. As at December 31, 2019, the remaining principal balance for the second term loan is \$20,269,000 (2018 - \$22,802,000). The interest cost for the City is based on the 30-day Banker's Acceptance rate. These loans are included in Long term liabilities – "Municipal Operations on the Statement of Financial Position."

18. Contractual Rights

Contractual rights are rights to economic resources arising from contracts or agreements that will result in revenues and assets in the future. The City has entered into an agreement with the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) whereby quarterly contributions are received based on a percentage of gaming revenues estimated at \$5,200,000 per year.

19. Public liability insurance

The City has undertaken a portion of the risk for public liability, as a means of achieving cost effective risk management. As a result, the City is self-insured for public liability claims up to \$250,000 for any individual claim or for any number of claims arising out of a single occurrence. Outside insurance coverage is in place for claims in excess of \$250,000 to a maximum of \$50,000,000 per claim or occurrence.

The City has reported liabilities for insurance claims on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the amount of \$18,315,000 (2018 - \$20,292,000). Claim expenses for the year in the amount of \$8,423,000 (2018 - \$7,930,000) are reported as expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

20. Contingent liabilities

The City has outstanding contractual obligations with its unionized employee groups as of December 31, 2019. An estimated liability has been recorded on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position to fund the six outstanding settlements. In December 2019 two of these unionized groups reached a settlement and subsequent to December 31, 2019 both were paid the outstanding retroactive payments.

21. Tangible Capital Assets

Details of the tangible capital assets are included in the Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets (pages 2-37 and 2-38). The City has tangible capital assets valued at cost in the amount of \$9,372,722,000 (2018 - \$8,982,686,000) and a net book value of \$5,930,788,000 (2018 - \$5,676,581,000). The net book value of the tangible capital assets valued as at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
General		
Land	\$ 387,321	\$ 357,211
Land improvements	167,237	157,312
Buildings	815,472	817,598
Vehicles	148,259	137,501
Computer hardware and software	19,499	13,572
Other	93,335	95,871
Infrastructure		
Roads	1,310,342	1,293,193
Bridges and structures	181,896	184,387
Water and wastewater facilities	395,495	398,743
Underground and other networks	<u>1,986,865</u>	<u>1,861,011</u>
Net Book Value	5,505,721	5,316,399
Assets under construction	<u>425,067</u>	<u>360,182</u>
Balance at the end of the year	<u>\$ 5,930,788</u>	<u>\$ 5,676,581</u>

Included are leased tangible capital assets with a net book value of \$2,741,000 (2018 - \$3,360,000). In addition, the City has works of arts and historical treasures including sculptures, fine art, murals, cemetery crosses, cenotaphs, cannons and artillery that are preserved by the City but are not recorded as tangible capital assets.

22. Reporting by Business Segment

The Consolidated Financial Statements provide a summary of the revenues and expenses for all of the services provided to the residents and businesses in the City of Hamilton as defined in the reporting entity (Note 1).

Certain allocation methodologies are employed in the preparation of segmented financial information. Services are funded primarily by taxation and user fees. Taxation revenue is allocated to the general government segment. Certain government grants, user charges and other revenues have been allocated based upon the same allocation as the related expenses. User fees are allocated based upon the segment that generated the fee.

Revenues and expenses are reported by the following functions and services:

- General government: Office of the Mayor and council, corporate administration including fleet and facilities
- Protection services: police, fire, conservation authorities
- Transportation services: roads, winter maintenance, traffic, parking, transit
- Environmental services: water, wastewater, storm water, waste management collection, diversion & disposal
- Health services: public health, cemeteries and emergency medical services/ambulance
- Social and family services: general assistance, hostels, homes for the aged, services to aged persons, child care services
- Social housing: public housing, non-profit housing, rent supplement programs
- Recreation and cultural services: parks, recreation programs, recreation facilities, golf courses, marinas, museums, libraries, tourism and HECFI.
- Planning and development: planning, zoning, commercial and industrial development and residential development

Financial information about the City's business segments is included in the Schedule of Operations for Business Segments (pages 2-39 and 2-40).

23. Liability for Contaminated Sites

The City of Hamilton estimates liabilities of \$8,993,000 as at December 31, 2019 for remediation of various lands using a risk-based approach (2018 - \$9,308,000). Total future undiscounted expenditures are estimated at \$11,889,000. The liabilities result from past industrial uses. Future expenditures are based on agreements with third parties, where available, as well as estimates. Future expenditures have been discounted using a 4% discount rate. The amount of estimated recoveries is nil (2018 – nil).

24. Budget figures

The 2019 operating budget and capital financing for the housing corporation was approved by the CityHousing Hamilton Board at a meeting on December 20, 2018. The 2019 operating budget and capital financing for municipal operations was approved by City Council at a meeting on March 27, 2019.

The budget figures conform to the accounting standards adopted in CPA Canada Public Sector Accounting Handbook section *PS1200 Financial Statement Presentation*. As such, the budget figures presented in the consolidated financial statements differ from the presentation approved by City Council. A summary reconciliation follows:

24. Budget figures (continued)

	<u>2019</u>
Revenue	
Council Approved Gross Revenue Operating Budget - Municipal	\$ 1,739,888
Council Approved Gross Revenue Capital Budget - Municipal	510,948
	<u>2,250,836</u>
Board Approved Gross Revenue Operating Budget - Housing Corporation	60,069
Board Approved Gross Revenue Capital Budget - Housing Corporation	8,688
	<u>68,757</u>
Adjustments to Revenues	
Less: Transfers from reserves and reserve funds Operating Budget Municipal Operations	(25,397)
Less: Transfers from reserves and reserve funds Capital Budget Municipal Operations	(171,720)
Less: Transfers from capital fund to current fund - Municipal Operations	(179,587)
Less: Transfers from capital fund to current fund - Housing Corporation	(8,688)
Less: Long term debt financing Capital Budget	(20,529)
Add: Donated tangible capital assets	21,715
Less: Reclassification - Municipal Operations	(30)
Add: Reserve & reserve funds	23,157
Add: Confederation Park and Westfield Heritage Village Consolidation	2,860
Less: Elimination for consolidation of Housing Corporation	(20,543)
	<u>(378,762)</u>
Consolidated	<u>\$ 1,940,831</u>
Expenses	
Council Approved Gross Expenditure Operating Budget - Municipal	\$ 1,739,888
Council Approved Gross Expenditure Capital Budget - Municipal	510,948
	<u>2,250,836</u>
Board Approved Gross Expenditure Operating Budget - Housing Corporation	60,069
Board Approved Gross Expenditure Capital Budget - Housing Corporation	8,688
	<u>68,757</u>
Adjustments to Expenditures	
Less: Debt principal repayment - Municipal Operations	(45,728)
Less: Debt principal repayment - Housing Corporation	(5,836)
Less: Transfers to reserves and reserve funds - Municipal Operations	(70,044)
Less: Transfers to capital from current funds - Municipal Operations	(179,587)
Less: Tangible capital assets - Municipal Operations	(430,585)
Less: Tangible capital assets - Housing Corporation	(8,688)
Less: Reclassification - Municipal Operations	(30)
Add: Change in employee future benefits and other obligations	(504)
Less: Change in solid waste landfill liability	(139)
Add: Amortization expense for tangible capital assets	205,247
Add: Confederation Park and Westfield Heritage Village Consolidation	2,410
Less: Elimination for consolidation of Housing Corporation	(21,590)
Add: Loss on disposition of tangible capital assets	7,409
	<u>(547,666)</u>
Consolidated	<u>\$ 1,771,927</u>

25. Subsequent event

Subsequent to December 31, 2019 the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. This has resulted in governments worldwide, including the Canadian, Ontario and municipal governments, enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures, which include the implementation of travel bans, self-imposed quarantine periods and physical distancing, have caused material disruption to businesses globally and in Ontario resulting in an economic slowdown. Governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions however the success of these interventions is not currently determinable

The Corporation declared a state of emergency under the Emergency Management Act Ontario, on March 17, 2020. The declaration of a state of emergency provides the Mayor with the ability to take action and make orders, as necessary, to protect the health, safety and welfare of residents.

The current challenging economic climate may lead to adverse changes in cash flows, reduction of service levels and budgetary constraints, which may also have a direct impact on the Corporation's revenues, annual surplus or deficit and reserve and reserve funds in the future. The situation is dynamic and the ultimate duration and magnitude of the impact on the Corporation, surrounding economy and services are not known at this time.

At this time these factors present uncertainty over future cash flows, may cause significant changes to the assets or liabilities and may have a significant impact on future operations. An estimate of the financial effect is not practicable at this time.

2019 Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets

	General						Infrastructure				Assets Under Construction	TOTAL
	Land	Land Improvements	Buildings	Vehicles	Computer	Other	Roads	Bridges & Other Structures	W/WW Facilities	W/WW/SW Linear Network		
Cost												
Balance, Jan 1, 2019	\$ 357,211	\$ 332,290	\$ 1,435,768	\$ 313,398	\$ 24,304	\$ 172,915	\$ 2,460,975	\$ 249,145	\$ 791,180	\$ 2,485,318	\$ 360,182	\$ 8,982,686
Additions, betterments & transfers in 2019	31,156	21,959	35,034	35,115	11,756	11,183	64,019	836	17,487	148,539	68,062	445,146
Disposals & writedowns in 2019	(1,971)	(179)	(3,588)	(13,706)	(368)	(13,320)	(20,055)	(22)	(229)	(20,210)	(3,177)	(76,825)
Donations & contributions in 2019	925	25	-	-	-	-	7,840	-	-	12,925	-	21,715
Balance, Dec 31, 2019	\$ 387,321	\$ 354,095	\$ 1,467,214	\$ 334,807	\$ 35,692	\$ 170,778	\$ 2,512,779	\$ 249,959	\$ 808,438	\$ 2,626,572	\$ 425,067	\$ 9,372,722
Accumulated amortization												
Balance, Jan 1, 2019	\$ -	\$ 174,978	\$ 618,170	\$ 175,897	\$ 10,732	\$ 77,044	\$ 1,167,782	\$ 64,758	\$ 392,437	\$ 624,307	\$ -	\$ 3,306,105
Amortization in 2019	-	11,945	36,346	24,066	5,823	13,717	54,117	3,327	20,529	35,377	-	205,247
Disposals in 2019	-	(65)	(2,774)	(13,415)	(362)	(13,318)	(19,462)	(22)	(23)	(19,977)	-	(69,418)
Balance, Dec 31, 2019	\$ -	\$ 186,858	\$ 651,742	\$ 186,548	\$ 16,193	\$ 77,443	\$ 1,202,437	\$ 68,063	\$ 412,943	\$ 639,707	\$ -	\$ 3,441,934
Net book value Dec 31, 2019	\$ 387,321	\$ 167,237	\$ 815,472	\$ 148,259	\$ 19,499	\$ 93,335	\$ 1,310,342	\$ 181,896	\$ 395,495	\$ 1,986,865	\$ 425,067	\$ 5,930,788
Assets under construction	\$ 14	\$ 49,403	\$ 5,056	\$ 3,247	\$ 3,665	\$ 1,132	\$ 28,820	\$ 79,596	\$ 220,281	\$ 33,853	\$ (425,067)	
Total	\$ 387,335	\$ 216,640	\$ 820,528	\$ 151,506	\$ 23,164	\$ 94,467	\$ 1,339,162	\$ 261,492	\$ 615,776	\$ 2,020,718	\$ -	\$ 5,930,788

2018 Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets

	General						Infrastructure				Assets Under Construction	TOTAL
	Land	Land Improvements	Buildings	Vehicles	Computer	Other	Roads	Bridges & Other Structures	W/WW Facilities	W/WW/SW Linear Network		
Cost												
Balance, Jan 1, 2018	\$ 333,818	\$ 316,660	\$ 1,342,796	\$ 289,081	\$ 19,862	\$ 162,448	\$ 2,381,454	\$ 244,981	\$ 776,505	\$ 2,381,332	\$ 309,974	\$ 8,558,911
Additions, betterments & transfers in 2018	28,671	14,427	97,128	32,219	6,424	11,878	71,459	4,291	14,763	71,710	55,355	408,325
Disposals & writedowns in 2019	(5,278)	(606)	(4,156)	(7,902)	(1,982)	(1,431)	(3,715)	(127)	(88)	(979)	(5,147)	(31,411)
Donations & contributions in 2018	-	1,809	-	-	-	20	11,777	-	-	33,255	-	46,861
Balance, Dec 31, 2018	\$ 357,211	\$ 332,290	\$ 1,435,768	\$ 313,398	\$ 24,304	\$ 172,915	\$ 2,460,975	\$ 249,145	\$ 791,180	\$ 2,485,318	\$ 360,182	\$ 8,982,686
Accumulated amortization												
Balance, Jan 1, 2018	\$ -	\$ 164,335	\$ 586,636	\$ 160,481	\$ 8,041	\$ 62,908	\$ 1,120,231	\$ 61,559	\$ 372,858	\$ 591,998	\$ -	\$ 3,129,047
Amortization in 2018	-	11,128	35,558	23,216	4,673	14,910	50,782	3,288	19,588	33,288	-	196,431
Disposals in 2018	-	(485)	(4,024)	(7,800)	(1,982)	(774)	(3,231)	(89)	(9)	(979)	-	(19,373)
Balance, Dec 31, 2018	\$ -	\$ 174,978	\$ 618,170	\$ 175,897	\$ 10,732	\$ 77,044	\$ 1,167,782	\$ 64,758	\$ 392,437	\$ 624,307	\$ -	\$ 3,306,105
Net book value Dec 31, 2018	\$ 357,211	\$ 157,312	\$ 817,598	\$ 137,501	\$ 13,572	\$ 95,871	\$ 1,293,193	\$ 184,387	\$ 398,743	\$ 1,861,011	\$ 360,182	\$ 5,676,581
Assets under construction	\$ -	\$ 35,310	\$ 59,212	\$ 2,226	\$ 5,612	\$ 4,372	\$ 25,426	\$ 2,334	\$ 120,851	\$ 104,839	\$ (360,182)	
Total	\$ 357,211	\$ 192,622	\$ 876,810	\$ 139,727	\$ 19,184	\$ 100,243	\$ 1,318,619	\$ 186,721	\$ 519,594	\$ 1,965,850	\$ -	\$ 5,676,581

2019 Schedule of Operations for Business Segments

	General government	Protection services	Transportation services	Environmental services	Health services	Social and family services	Social housing	Recreation and cultural services	Planning and development	TOTAL 2019
Revenue										
Taxation	\$ 917,126	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 917,126
Government grants and contributions	1,696	9,751	52,898	40,645	58,785	234,556	40,356	4,768	4,378	447,833
User charges	5,542	6,158	66,033	238,185	3,291	16,994	949	24,239	10,754	372,145
Development charges and subdivider contributions	(1,164)	1,439	19,127	30,956	-	-	-	6,981	3,307	60,646
Donations of tangible capital assets	-	-	7,840	12,925	-	-	-	950	-	21,715
Investment income	19,277	1,289	3,473	10,485	63	147	471	1,860	533	37,598
Income from Government Business Enterprises	11,262	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,262
Other	27,504	28,562	10,591	3,205	228	88	45,410	9,278	3,898	128,764
Total	\$ 981,243	\$ 47,199	\$ 159,962	\$ 336,401	\$ 62,367	\$ 251,785	\$ 87,186	\$ 48,076	\$ 22,870	\$ 1,997,089
Expenses										
Salaries and benefits	\$ 70,975	\$ 276,170	\$ 118,028	\$ 47,208	\$ 82,100	\$ 80,184	\$ 13,789	\$ 78,269	\$ 30,908	\$ 797,631
Interest on long term debt	1,540	546	3,393	4,868	399	315	1,349	1,270	87	13,767
Materials supplies services	35,518	20,591	43,121	38,914	7,388	8,141	16,176	29,738	3,721	203,308
Contracted services	24,935	3,634	60,013	82,024	3,468	81,231	31,726	16,469	6,134	309,634
Rents and financial expenses	3,333	1,979	6,841	4,894	2,135	2,502	3,108	4,462	1,830	31,084
External transfers	280	9,406	-	1,296	14	127,009	23,341	5,655	1,470	168,471
Amortization	9,031	8,513	81,455	62,161	3,259	2,363	6,908	28,578	2,979	205,247
Interfunctional transfers	(78,986)	9,419	24,868	11,413	7,294	7,616	734	12,508	5,134	-
Total	\$ 66,626	\$ 330,258	\$ 337,719	\$ 252,778	\$ 106,057	\$ 309,361	\$ 97,131	\$ 176,949	\$ 52,263	\$ 1,729,142
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 914,617	\$ (283,059)	\$ (177,757)	\$ 83,623	\$ (43,690)	\$ (57,576)	\$ (9,945)	\$ (128,873)	\$ (29,393)	\$ 267,947

2018 Schedule of Operations for Business Segments

	General government	Protection services	Transportation services	Environmental services	Health services	Social and family services	Social housing	Recreation and cultural services	Planning and development	TOTAL 2018
Revenue										
Taxation	\$ 888,229	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 888,229
Government grants and contributions	2,062	8,743	58,980	27,356	57,898	245,885	48,728	3,397	1,725	454,774
User charges	6,474	5,855	59,377	220,704	3,236	16,262	270	23,272	12,187	347,637
Development charges and subdivider contributions	2,425	876	15,577	80,854	-	-	-	13,226	6,745	119,703
Donations of tangible capital assets	-	-	11,777	33,256	-	-	-	1,829	-	46,862
Investment income	14,179	1,495	2,502	10,128	61	186	512	1,564	474	31,101
Income from Government Business Enterprises	24,285	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,285
Other	26,971	26,304	12,758	3,975	62	29	54,154	7,725	5,498	137,476
Total	\$ 964,625	\$ 43,273	\$ 160,971	\$ 376,273	\$ 61,257	\$ 262,362	\$ 103,664	\$ 51,013	\$ 26,629	\$ 2,050,067
Expenses										
Salaries and benefits	\$ 68,567	\$ 276,046	\$ 112,122	\$ 45,102	\$ 79,509	\$ 77,282	\$ 15,808	\$ 75,922	\$ 29,694	\$ 780,052
Interest on long term debt	919	657	3,375	4,176	417	396	1,463	1,183	91	12,677
Materials supplies services	39,276	19,095	45,645	37,834	7,639	8,054	17,116	28,289	4,734	207,682
Contracted services	27,045	3,316	51,036	119,033	3,608	85,444	23,422	15,484	13,543	341,931
Rents and financial expenses	6,332	1,941	8,245	5,915	2,055	2,558	1,502	5,432	570	34,550
External transfers	282	7,392	-	1,466	15	133,783	39,253	7,414	933	190,538
Amortization	8,656	8,215	77,003	59,798	3,152	2,323	6,680	27,602	2,999	196,428
Interfunctional transfers	(71,052)	7,565	22,579	10,947	6,473	6,979	649	11,639	4,221	-
Total	\$ 80,025	\$ 324,227	\$ 320,005	\$ 284,271	\$ 102,868	\$ 316,819	\$ 105,893	\$ 172,965	\$ 56,785	\$ 1,763,858
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 884,600	\$ (280,954)	\$ (159,034)	\$ 92,002	\$ (41,611)	\$ (54,457)	\$ (2,229)	\$ (121,952)	\$ (30,156)	\$ 286,209

Section 3

City of Hamilton Consolidated Financial Statements for the Trust Funds Cemetery and General Trusts December 31, 2019

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Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial assets		
Cash	\$ 2,486,026	\$ 4,096,219
Investments (Note 2)	16,800,084	13,918,360
Due from City of Hamilton - Cemetery (Note 3)	1,238,993	1,199,667
Due from City of Hamilton - Other Trust Funds (Note 3)	<u>42,071</u>	<u>49,741</u>
Total financial assets	<u>\$ 20,567,174</u>	<u>\$ 19,263,987</u>
Liabilities		
Deposits	<u>\$ 507,160</u>	<u>\$ 475,556</u>
Accumulated surplus and net financial assets	<u>\$ 20,060,014</u>	<u>\$ 18,788,431</u>

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues		
Cemetery lots and interments	\$ 818,379	\$ 746,383
Investment income	596,006	562,378
Other revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>2,300</u>
Total revenue	<u>\$ 1,414,385</u>	<u>\$ 1,311,061</u>
Expenses		
Transfer to other trust funds	\$ 124,143	\$ 167,859
Other	<u>18,659</u>	<u>17,833</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 142,802</u>	<u>\$ 185,692</u>
Annual surplus	<u>\$ 1,271,583</u>	<u>\$ 1,125,369</u>
Accumulated surplus at the beginning of the year	<u>18,788,431</u>	<u>17,663,062</u>
Accumulated surplus at the end of the year (Note 4)	<u>\$ 20,060,014</u>	<u>\$ 18,788,431</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

1. Significant accounting policies

The financial statements of the City of Hamilton Trust Funds (the "Trust Funds") are the representation of management prepared in accordance Canadian public sector accounting standards. Since precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of periodic financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and approximations.

(a) Basis of consolidation

These consolidated statements reflect the revenues, expenditures, assets and liabilities of the following trust funds:

Fieldcote Farmer (Ancaster)
Dundas Knowles Bequest
Hamilton F. Waldon Dundurn Castle
Dundas Ellen Grafton
Ancaster Fieldcote Livingstone-Clarke
Ancaster Fieldcote Shaver
Hamilton Balfour Estate Chedoke
Cemetery Trust Funds
Municipal Election Surplus

(b) Basis of accounting

- (i) Sources of financing and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis of accounting.
- (ii) The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they become available and measurable; expenditures are recognized as they are incurred and measurable.
- (iii) Revenues on the cemetery lots are recognized upon transfer of title of the deed.

2. Investments

The total investments recorded at the lower of cost or market value in the Statement of Financial Position are \$16,800,084 (2018 - \$13,918,360). These investments have a market value of \$17,946,604 (2018 - \$14,615,707) at the end of the year.

3. Due from City of Hamilton

The amount due from the City of Hamilton is non-interest bearing with no fixed repayment terms.

4. Accumulated surplus

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
The accumulated surplus consists of:		
Cemeteries	<u>\$ 19,408,095</u>	<u>\$18,135,887</u>
Other		
Fieldcote Farmer (Ancaster)	334,070	336,169
Knowles Bequest (Dundas)	249,692	249,634
F. Walden Dundurn Castle (Hamilton)	6,586	6,422
Ellen Grafton (Dundas)	8,007	7,829
Fieldcote Livingstone-Clarke (Ancaster)	5,155	5,155
Fieldcote Shaver (Ancaster)	5,155	5,155
Municipal Election (Hamilton)	36,011	35,117
Balfour Estate Chedoke (Hamilton)	<u>7,243</u>	<u>7,063</u>
	<u>\$ 651,919</u>	<u>\$ 652,544</u>
	<u>\$ 20,060,014</u>	<u>\$18,788,431</u>

5. Subsequent events

Subsequent to December 31, 2019 the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. This has resulted in governments worldwide, including the Canadian and Ontario governments, enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures, which include the implementation of travel bans, self-imposed quarantine periods and social distancing, have caused material disruption to businesses globally and in Ontario resulting in an economic slowdown. Governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions however the success of these interventions is no currently determinable. The current challenging economic climate may lead to adverse changes which may have a direct impact on the Trusts' operating results and financial position in the future. The situation is dynamic and the ultimate duration and magnitude of the impact on the economy and our business are not known at this time.

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial assets		
Cash	\$ 2,162,423	\$ 3,794,622
Investments	16,513,839	13,617,154
Due from City of Hamilton	<u>1,238,993</u>	<u>1,199,667</u>
Total financial assets	<u>\$ 19,915,255</u>	<u>\$ 18,611,443</u>
Liabilities		
Deposits	<u>\$ 507,160</u>	<u>\$ 475,556</u>
Accumulated surplus	<u>\$ 19,408,095</u>	<u>\$ 18,135,887</u>

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2017</u>
Revenues		
Cemetery lots and interments	\$ 818,379	\$ 746,383
Investment income	580,939	547,044
Other revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>2,300</u>
Total revenue	<u>\$ 1,399,318</u>	<u>\$ 1,295,727</u>
Expenses		
Transfer to other trust funds	\$ 115,088	\$ 158,443
Other	<u>12,022</u>	<u>11,736</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 127,110</u>	<u>\$ 170,179</u>
Annual surplus	<u>\$ 1,272,208</u>	<u>\$ 1,125,548</u>
Accumulated surplus at the beginning of the year	<u>18,135,887</u>	<u>17,010,339</u>
Accumulated surplus at the end of the year	<u>\$ 19,408,095</u>	<u>\$ 18,135,887</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Financial assets		
Cash	\$ 323,602	\$ 301,597
Investments	286,246	301,206
Due from City of Hamilton	<u>42,071</u>	<u>49,741</u>
Total financial assets	<u>\$ 651,919</u>	<u>\$ 652,544</u>
Accumulated surplus	<u>\$ 651,919</u>	<u>\$ 652,544</u>

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2019

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues		
Investment income	<u>\$ 15,067</u>	<u>\$ 15,334</u>
Total revenue	<u>\$ 15,067</u>	<u>\$ 15,334</u>
Expenses		
Transfer to other trust funds	\$ 9,055	\$ 9,416
Other	<u>6,637</u>	<u>6,097</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 15,692</u>	<u>\$ 15,513</u>
Annual deficit	<u>\$ (625)</u>	<u>\$ (179)</u>
Accumulated surplus at the beginning of the year	<u>652,544</u>	<u>652,723</u>
Accumulated surplus at the end of the year	<u>\$ 651,919</u>	<u>\$ 652,544</u>

Section 4

City of Hamilton Financial Statements for the Trust Funds – Homes for the Aged December 31, 2019

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Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2019

	Macassa Lodge Resident Trusts	Wentworth Lodge Resident Trusts	Macassa Lodge Other Trusts	Wentworth Lodge Other Trusts	Total 2019	Total 2018
Financial assets						
Cash	\$ 28,734	\$ 28,120	\$ 23,201	\$ 43,768	\$ 123,823	\$ 201,569
Investments	-	-	-	280,523	280,523	271,022
Total financial assets	<u>28,734</u>	<u>28,120</u>	<u>23,201</u>	<u>324,291</u>	404,346	472,591
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		-	\$ 89,766
Accumulated surplus	<u>\$ 28,734</u>	<u>\$ 28,120</u>	<u>\$ 23,201</u>	<u>\$ 324,291</u>	\$ 404,346	<u>\$ 382,825</u>

Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31, 2019

	Macassa Lodge Resident Trusts	Wentworth Lodge Resident Trusts	Macassa Lodge Other Trusts	Wentworth Lodge Other Trusts	Total 2019	Total 2018
Revenue						
Residents' deposits	\$ 143,191	\$ 107,143	\$ 4,871	\$ 21,682	\$ 276,887	\$ 250,418
Investment income	-	-	464	10,967	11,431	11,406
Donations	-	-	857	-	857	869
	<u>143,191</u>	<u>107,143</u>	<u>6,192</u>	<u>32,649</u>	289,175	<u>262,693</u>
Expenses						
Maintenance payments	\$ -	\$ 25,033	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,033	\$ 19,786
Residents' charges	118,915	80,039	2,196	17,523	218,673	208,845
Payments to estates	15,970	7,978	-	-	23,948	12,806
Renovation expense	-	-	-	-	-	90,826
	<u>134,885</u>	<u>113,050</u>	<u>2,196</u>	<u>17,523</u>	267,654	<u>332,263</u>
Annual surplus (deficit)	8,306	(5,907)	3,996	15,126	21,521	(69,570)
Accumulated surplus at the beginning of the year	<u>20,428</u>	<u>34,027</u>	<u>19,205</u>	<u>309,165</u>	382,825	452,395
Accumulated surplus at the end of the year	<u>\$ 28,734</u>	<u>\$ 28,120</u>	<u>\$ 23,201</u>	<u>\$ 324,291</u>	\$ 404,346	<u>\$ 382,825</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

1. Purpose of Trust Funds

The various Trust Funds administered by the City of Hamilton are established for the following purposes:

Macassa and Wentworth Lodge Resident Trusts

These Trust Funds are established for residents to receive their funds and to pay for their various charges including monthly maintenance payments.

Macassa and Wentworth Lodge Other Trusts

These Trust Funds are established for the receipts of funds from donations and fund raising activities. The funds are to be used for the benefit of lodge residents over and above normal capital and operating expenses of the lodges.

2. Significant accounting policies

The financial statements of the Trust Funds of The City of Hamilton are the representation of management prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis of accounting

The Trust Funds follow the accrual method of accounting for revenues and expenses. Revenues are normally recognized in the year in which they are earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as result of receipt of goods and services and/or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

3. Investments

Investments are valued at cost less any amounts written off to reflect an other than temporary decline in value. The total investments recorded in the Statement of Financial Position are \$280,523 (2018 - \$271,022). These investments have a market value of \$285,598 (2018 - \$280,511) at the end of the year.


4. Subsequent events

Subsequent to December 31, 2019 the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. This has resulted in governments worldwide, including the Canadian and Ontario governments, enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures, which include the implementation of travel bans, self-imposed quarantine periods and social distancing, have caused material disruption to businesses globally and in Ontario resulting in an economic slowdown. Governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions however the success of these interventions is not currently determinable. The current challenging economic climate may lead to adverse changes which may have a direct impact on the Trust's operating results and financial position in the future. The situation is dynamic and the ultimate duration and magnitude of the impact on the economy and our business are not known at this time.

Corporate Human Resources Policy	 Hamilton	Appendix "B" to Item 5 of AF&A Report 20-004
Work Environment		Supersedes: Computer Acceptable Use Policy (2009-02-11))
Policy No: HR-15-09, IT-02		

Computer and Technology Acceptable Use Policy

POLICY, STATEMENT & PURPOSE	<p>The City of Hamilton provides employees, elected officials and other authorized organizations and individuals with access to IT Resources to be used for legitimate business purposes in serving the interests of the City. These technologies are valuable tools that enable Authorized Users to effectively carry out the City's business. As such, they must be used in a responsible and appropriate manner.</p> <p>The purpose of this policy is to outline the City's expectations regarding the use of the City's IT Resources and set clear parameters for Authorized Users to ensure clarity surrounding the use of this corporate resource. The use of this corporate resource is not a right but a privilege and is subject to the terms of this Policy. Prior to the use of the City's IT Resources, all Authorized Users are required to read this Policy and acknowledge their agreement to comply with it.</p> <p>Authorized Users are expected to exercise good judgment and to demonstrate a sense of responsibility and consideration of others when using the City's IT Resources. All work undertaken shall be performed in an ethical and lawful manner, demonstrating integrity and professionalism by all users.</p>
SCOPE	<p>This policy applies to all Authorized Users of the City's IT Resources including but not limited to City of Hamilton employees (full-time, part-time, temporary and contract); volunteers, students, interns, staff of elected officials, and all other organizations and individuals who are authorized by the City to use IT Resources.</p>
DEFINITIONS	<p>The following terms referenced in this Policy are defined as:</p> <p>"Authorized Users": includes all persons who are authorized by City of Hamilton leaders to access and use the City's IT Resources for legitimate business purposes. Authorized Users include full-time, part-time, temporary and contract); volunteers, students, interns, staff of elected officials, and all other organizations and individuals who are authorized by the City to use IT Resources.</p> <p>"IT Resources": includes all:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> computer software, hardware and equipment owned or issued by the City, including desktops, laptops, tablets, notebooks, servers or smart phones; • telephones (including IP, cellular or traditional phones), and other audio/voice devices and networks, including voicemail;

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • video conferencing systems and equipment; • scanners, printers and fax machines and peripheral devices and removable media associated with the computer (such as USB drives, CDs, DVDs, etc.); • transmission methods and services employed by the City's computer hardware and equipment, including wired, wireless and cellular networks, whether accessed from within the City's premises or elsewhere; • Internet and e-mail systems; • data, information and other work products such as computer programs, databases, spreadsheets, etc., created and/or maintained in using these IT resources; and • City related data and information that is accessed, stored, created, processed, transmitted or filed in a personal electronic device. • "Non-public Information": means information that is exempt or is potentially exempt from disclosure under the <i>Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.56 or the <i>Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004</i>, S.O. 2004, c. 3, Schedule A, or that is otherwise deemed confidential. (Refer to Policy IT-04 "Data Classification" for further information about the classification and use of City data.) 	
TERMS & CONDITIONS	<p>The following terms and conditions apply to this Policy:</p> <p>1. ACCESS:</p> <p>1.1 Authorized Users have access to the City's IT Resources. (Refer to Policy IT-05 "User Accounts" for further information about the authorization and use of user accounts.)</p> <p>1.2 Access to these IT Resources enables Authorized Users to conduct City business, to perform assigned duties, to research and obtain information relevant to City business and to provide information to residents, businesses and business prospects of the City of Hamilton.</p>	

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	<p>1.3 Human Resources must notify Information Technology of the termination of Authorized Users on or before the individual's termination date. This notification will be Information Technology's authorization to revoke access appropriately.</p> <p>2. CITY PROPERTY:</p> <p>2.1 All files and electronic communications, including email, Internet and web content systems, created on, generated by or transmitted through the City's IT Resources are deemed to be the property of the City of Hamilton. In addition, any City related data and information that is accessed, stored, created, processed, transmitted or filed in a personal electronic device is deemed to be the property of the City of Hamilton.</p> <p>2.2 The conditions set forth in subsection 2.1 may be waived if: (i) an Authorized User makes a written request outlining the reasons necessitating a waiver, and (ii) a member of the City's Information Technology management team approves the request in writing, such approval to be granted at the sole discretion of management taking into consideration the specific circumstances of each individual request.</p> <p>3. MONITORING:</p> <p>3.1 All Authorized Users should be aware that the City's IT Resources create activity records, including, but not limited to, every Internet site visited and every message sent.</p> <p>3.2 While the City of Hamilton respects the privacy of Authorized Users, it still reserves the right to monitor use of City IT Resources, including, but not limited to, any email labeled "private". Authorized Users should be aware that they have no right of ownership or expectation of privacy with regards to their use of the City's IT Resources. The City reserves the right to implement reasonable technical and procedural measures in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure compliance with corporate policies and standards, • assess system or network performance and resource usage, • protect and maintain the security of the City's IT Resources, • protect the City's interests in the event of a reasonable suspicion of crime or inappropriate use of City IT Resources, and • safeguard the integrity of Authorized Users.
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	<p>The City reserves the right to take action, including accessing any files, information and equipment, without notice.</p> <p>4. USAGE</p> <p>4.1 The City's IT Resources are corporate resources. The primary use of the IT Resources shall be for business purposes.</p> <p>4.2 Use of the IT Resources for personal activities including social media (Facebook, Twitter etc.) is permitted within reasonable limits, provided it does not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conflict with business use or time, or • impact negatively on other Authorized Users or on the City's IT Resources, or • adversely affect an individual's performance or work duties and responsibilities. <p>Personal uses that exceed these terms, uses for profit or uses that would otherwise violate any City policy are not permitted.</p> <p>Any inappropriate, excessive or abusive usage may result in an Authorized User's access privileges being limited or revoked, and City employees may also be subject to disciplinary measures up to and including dismissal.</p> <p>4.3 The City reserves the right to filter and quarantine both inbound and outbound electronic content, including but not limited to email and web content, in order to ensure the security and integrity of the IT Resources.</p> <p>4.4 The City reserves the right to report any illegal violations to the appropriate authorities.</p> <p>4.5 The City's existing corporate policies, including, but not limited to, the "Code of Conduct for Employees", "Harassment and Discrimination Prevention", "Personal Harassment Prevention", and "Code of Conduct for Members of Council" also apply to conduct while using the City's IT Resources.</p>
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4.6 Acceptable and appropriate usage includes, but is not limited to the following list:

- Participating in professional, work-related research.
- Distributing work-related correspondence, minutes, agendas and reports.
- Responding to public inquiries.
- Accessing work-related on-line learning opportunities.
- Creating work-related information resources.
- Participating in work-related mailing lists or forums.
- Communicating with staff, elected officials, and appropriate outside bodies such as other levels of government, businesses, City partners, citizen groups and residents.

4.7 Authorized Users are expected to adhere to the following:

4.7.1 Authorized Users shall not distribute outside of the City's internal network any Non-public Information, unless such distribution has been properly authorized and, where necessary, properly protected (e.g., encrypted, password-protected). (Refer to Policy IT-04 "Data Classification" for further information)

4.7.2 Authorized Users shall not, in any way, attempt to access confidential information to which they have not been previously granted access.

4.7.3 Authorized Users shall not download or install software on any City-issued IT hardware without the prior knowledge, approval and authorization of Information Technology management. Authorized Users shall not use any software that is banned for security reasons on City-issued hardware. (See the City's Intranet site for approved and banned software.)

4.7.4 Authorized Users shall not connect unauthorized devices (including personal or vendor laptops) to the City's network without obtaining prior approval from Information Technology. Exception: Authorized Users may connect personal devices to public wireless networks where these are provided by the City.

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	<p>4.7.5 No Authorized User shall possess a hacking or password cracking tool unless authorized in writing by the Director of Information Technology for job related reasons.</p> <p>4.7.6 Authorized Users shall conduct email messaging in the same manner as they would other business correspondence, being mindful of the fact that email transmissions over the Internet are not secure and may be intercepted, and that email is subject to the provisions of the <i>Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>. Authorized Users are accountable for all email sent from their individual user name</p> <p>4.7.7 Authorized Users shall ensure that their password is changed regularly and is not shared with anyone, except within the terms of this Policy. (Refer to Policy IT-03 "Password" for further information.)</p> <p>4.7.8 Authorized Users must protect sensitive information. Information which is sensitive or confidential in nature should not be stored on mobile equipment, whether City provided or personally owned. Where it is necessary to store sensitive data on mobile equipment, the information must be encrypted. (Refer to Policy IT-04 "Data Classification" for further information)</p> <p>4.7.9 Authorized Users shall not use the City's IT Resources to run a personal business. This includes photocopying or printing flyers, advertisements, etc. for a personal business or for personal gain, or sending "for profit" messages via the Internet. Exception: Authorized Users are permitted to use any approved personal "Buy and Sell" page on the City's Intranet site.</p> <p>4.7.10 Authorized Users shall not use the City's IT Resources for any political activities. The use of the City's name, logo, email, file systems and all other IT Resources to support any political group, political campaign or political activity of any kind is prohibited. Authorized Users who wish to run for political office must advise their management prior to announcing their candidacy to ensure there is no conflict of interest or misuse of the City's IT Resources. (Refer to "Council Code of Conduct" and "Employee Code of Conduct" for further information)</p>
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	<p>4.7.11 Social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter are recognized as useful tools for communicating and collaborating with the public in appropriate circumstances. Authorized Users should use these sites primarily for City business purposes as approved by the Authorized User's management. (Refer to the Corporate Communications Social Media Policy for further information on the use of social media.)</p> <p>4.7.12 Authorized Users must comply with copyright and licensing restrictions on any information which has been downloaded. Authorized Users are prohibited from engaging in activities that violate the <i>Copyright Act (R.S.C., 1985, c.C-42)</i> and any applicable copyright policies that the City may implement from time to time. Material which is viewed, copied, scanned, downloaded or saved from the Internet should be primarily related to City business.</p> <p>4.7.13 Authorized Users must abide by vendor license agreements. Use of applications and/or data is subject to the vendor's license agreement and may not be reproduced in any form without permission from the vendor.</p> <p>4.7.14 Authorized users who are permitted to access the City's IT Resources remotely (e.g., from home) must follow the terms of Policy IT-08 "Remote Access".</p> <p>4.7.15 Authorized Users are accountable for the security of IT Resources and City information assigned to them, whether inside or outside of the City's offices. Authorized Users are required to report any damage to or loss of City property covered by this Policy to Information Technology and to their management immediately. The City is not responsible for any misuse of the IT Resources. Persons found to be misusing the City's resources will be responsible for any costs or damages sustained by the City or a third party, and will be obligated to indemnify the City for any claims against the City.</p> <p>4.7.16 Authorized Users are obliged to successfully complete security awareness training as required by Information Technology. This includes an introductory course for new Authorized Users, regular refresher courses and participating in simulated phishing campaigns.</p>
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	<p>4.7.17 Authorized Users are obliged to follow security and data practices provided by Information Technology to protect City information. (See the City's Intranet site for further details. Security practices may change from time to time and it is the responsibility of each Authorized User to stay up to date on same.)</p> <p>4.8 Unacceptable and inappropriate usage includes, but is not limited to, the following list. The only exception is in the performance of work-related matters as approved by a member of the City's Senior Leadership Team:</p> <p>4.8.1 Accessing sites or transmitting material which violates any Canadian federal or provincial law or City by-law or directive, such as defamatory, discriminatory or obscene material or sites which, in the opinion of management, are inappropriate.</p> <p>4.8.2 Accessing, displaying or storing email messages, graphics or images on the City's IT Resources that are obscene, harassing or fraudulent or that are offensive and conducive to a poisoned work environment. (Inadvertently accessing an inappropriate site or receiving an email with an unacceptable attachment will not be considered a violation of this Policy. Printing, scanning, saving or forwarding inappropriate material, unless approved by the Authorized User's management, shall be considered a violation of this Policy.)</p> <p>4.8.3 Distributing to members of the public, any Non-public Information such as draft reports, confidential information or information unless approved by the Authorized User's management and, where necessary, proper protection. (Refer to Policy IT-04 "Data Classification" for further information)</p> <p>4.8.4 Downloading files or introducing removable media to City computers without virus scanning with an approved and up-to-date virus scanner. Authorized Users are accountable for ensuring that their virus scanning software is up-to-date.</p>
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	<p>4.8.5 Downloading or storing on the City's network servers any non-work related photo, music or video files.</p> <p>4.8.6 Sending chain letters, junk mail or broadcast transmissions (i.e. sending a single message to a large number of individual email addresses) unless approved by the Authorized User's management.</p> <p>4.8.7 Using the Internet to access personal email accounts, including those provided by your personal Internet Service Provider (e.g. Rogers, Cogeco, Sympatico, etc.) and web-based email systems (e.g. Hotmail, Yahoo, gMail, etc.) from within the City's network. Note: that this restriction refers to logging on and opening mailboxes in these email systems. Authorized Users may use the City's email system to correspond with users of any type of email system.</p> <p>4.8.8 Storing games, game related data or personal web site material on any City network server.</p> <p>4.8.9 Sending anonymous messages or accessing the Internet under another person's network identification.</p> <p>4.8.10 Allowing others who are not Authorized Users to access and utilize the City's IT Resources.</p> <p>4.8.11 Sharing City accounts or passwords with any other person, except as authorized by a member of the City's Senior Leadership Team.</p> <p>4.8.12 Making unauthorized copies of copyrighted software. It is the responsibility of individual departments to ensure they obtain the appropriate software licensing.</p> <p>4.8.13 Changing the configuration of the City's IT Resources without authorization from Information Technology.</p> <p>4.8.14 Circumventing City computer security measures, attempting to gain access to a City system for which proper authorization has not been given, probing the security at any computer site or accessing sites or tools dedicated to computer/network hacking.</p>
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	4.8.15 Leaving City computers logged on or unlocked when leaving the workplace for any extended period.
AUDITING	<p>Where there are reasonable grounds to suspect that an Authorized User has abused or contravened this Policy, an audit of the Authorized User's usage may be undertaken, with or without notice to the Authorized User.</p> <p>Usage audits of Authorized Users (other than elected officials) may be authorized by a member of the City's Senior Leadership Team. Authorization shall be in writing (email or text) with a copy to Human Resources. The audit will be conducted by Information Technology in concert with the requesting department.</p> <p>Usage audits of elected officials may be authorized by Council. Records required for the audit will be collected by Information Technology and provided to the auditing body authorized by Council.</p> <p>Usage audits of any Authorized User may be requested by law enforcement officials. In the event of such a request, records required for the audit will be collected by Information Technology and provided to law enforcement as required by law or otherwise authorized by legislation.</p>
COMPLIANCE	Failure to comply with this Policy may result in the Authorized User's access privileges being limited or revoked and City employees may also be subject to disciplinary measures up to and including dismissal.
ADMINISTRATION	<p>This Policy is administered by the Corporate Services Department, Information Technology Division.</p> <p>CONTACT: For more information or procedures, contact Information Technology, Corporate Services Department.</p>
RELATED DOCUMENTS	<p>The following related documents are referenced in this Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.56</i> • <i>Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.19</i> • <i>Copyright Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-42</i> • <i>Criminal Code of Canada, R.S., 1985, c. C-46</i> • IT-03 Password policy

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT-04 Data Classification policy • IT-05 User Accounts policy • IT-08 Remote Access policy • Council Code of Conduct – By-law No. 16-290 • Code of Conduct for employees Social Media Policy
HISTORY	<p>The following stakeholders were consulted in the revisions made to this Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Policy Review Group • Information Technology • Human Resources • Legal Services • City staff from several divisions • Service Excellence sub-committee • Senior Leadership Team <p>This replaces the Computer Acceptable Use policy approved by Council of the City of Hamilton on February 11, 2009.</p>


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City Auditor Reporting of Serious Matters to Council Policy

POLICY STATEMENT	<p>The City Auditor reports functionally to City Council via the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee. The intent of this policy is to provide clarity on when the City Auditor is to communicate serious matters to Council that fall outside of the typical reporting process for the Office of the City Auditor (OCA).</p> <p>The City Auditor is one of the Accountability Officers at the City of Hamilton.</p>
PURPOSE	<p>The purpose of this policy is to outline and provide guidelines on when the City Auditor should proactively inform Council about a serious matter pertaining to the City of Hamilton. The provisions and standards in this policy should be followed to keep Council informed and minimize the risk of Council not being aware of serious matters that come to the attention of the City Auditor.</p>
SCOPE	<p>This policy applies to the City Auditor who is the appointed Auditor General for the City and to any matter that comes to their attention. It applies to serious matters uncovered through investigations launched under the Fraud and Waste/Whistleblower protocols or in the course of audits or other engagements.</p>
DEFINITIONS	<p>The following terms referenced in this Policy are defined as:</p>
Accountability Officer	<p>Independent parties that ensure transparency and accountability and receive and investigate complaints. This can include the City Auditor, Integrity Commissioner, Lobbyist Registrar or Ombudsman.</p>
Information	<p>All hard copy, electronic records and meta data.</p>
Sensitive and Confidential Information	<p>Information that is protected, including information excluded from MFIPPA and PFIPPA FOI requests.</p>

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<p>PRINCIPLES</p>	<p>Independence</p> <p>The Office of the City Auditor, the City Auditor and its staff are independent of City administration and operations. This independence is a safeguard that enables the OCA to fulfil its auditing and reporting responsibilities objectively and fairly.</p> <p>Confidentiality</p> <p>Under the <i>Municipal Act</i> the OCA has the mandate and the authority to set the parameters of an audit or investigation. All dealings with the OCA shall be respectful of that authority.</p> <p>Responsibility</p> <p>Per the Municipal Act Section 223.19, the Auditor General (City Auditor) reports to Council and is responsible for assisting the council in holding itself and its administrators accountable for the quality of stewardship over public funds and for achievement of value for money in municipal operations. The Auditor General is to perform their responsibilities in an independent manner.</p> <p>Need to know basis</p> <p>Information regarding investigations should be disclosed on a need to know basis, and members of management will be informed of investigations (including those regarding serious matters) relevant to their scope of authority/work.</p>
<p>TERMS AND CONDITIONS</p> <p>Investigation Standards</p>	<p>While conducting an investigation, Auditors are obliged to follow investigation standards and Fraud Investigation protocols of the City. Auditors are required to maintain an attitude of professional skepticism in ensuring that all the information examined is supportable.</p> <p>The following considerations are important to the interpretation and implementation of this policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During an ongoing investigation, it is generally best to avoid discussion of particulars before all facts are known, and specifically to avoid discussing the investigation plan, excepting the principals that are involved where necessary.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confidentiality is integral to the integrity of an investigation. • Knowledge of investigations by Management or members of Council prior to their conclusion, must be balanced against the need to protect the integrity of investigations and the privacy and dignity of people involved. • Disclosing information before an investigation is complete may: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be harmful to the investigation in terms of eliciting cooperation of witnesses, the availability of information, or revealing the investigation strategy. ○ Be prejudicial to a fair outcome. ○ Adversely affect the City’s position in litigation. ○ Have an unintended negative impact on people and their reputation(s). 	
Serious Matter	<p>Urgent attention and disclosure to Council is called for with respect to serious matters that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pose a security threat (e.g. cybersecurity exposure) to the organization’s information systems/hardware/software applications or involves major privacy breach. • Threaten public safety. • Involve potential fraud over \$100,000. • Could have a significant adverse impact on the City’s vulnerable populations. • Result in investigation by OCA and referral to the Police • In the judgement of the City Auditor are deemed to be of a significant risk to the Corporation. <p>For a serious matter the City Auditor will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report the matter to the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee at the earliest opportunity from the time there is sufficient information to judge that a criterion for reporting has been met or in the case of a Police referral the earliest opportunity from the time of referral • Consult with the Clerk on the appropriateness of reporting the item in-camera. <p>For a serious matter, the City Auditor may also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alert Legal Services and Risk Management of the matter to ensure actions enable appropriate mitigation of damages/costs to the City and support a timely recovery. • Inform functions/leadership individuals where necessary to enable effective discharge of their responsibilities. 	

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<p>Confidentiality</p> <p>Reporting</p>	<p>Confidentiality is an integral part of the audit and investigation process and the OCA has a duty to protect the confidentiality of information received and cannot communicate information other than as part of the report (if applicable) and in prescribed situations. Accordingly, per section 223.22 (4) of the <i>Municipal Act</i>, the OCA's working papers shall not be made available as they are confidential. Information collected by the auditors is not subject to public access under <i>the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)</i>.</p> <p>If an investigation does not meet the criteria listed above as being a "serious matter", the investigation matter will be reported as part of the periodic statistics report and the more in-depth annual report for the Fraud and Waste Hotline.</p>	
<p>RESPONSIBILITIES (if applicable)</p>	<p>The following positions and/or departments are responsible for fulfilling the responsibilities detailed in this Policy as follows:</p> <p>City Auditor and designate(s) Office of the City Auditor</p>	
<p>COMPLIANCE</p>	<p>The City Auditor is expected to comply with this Policy. Consequences of failure to comply with this Policy are at the discretion of Council.</p>	
<p>RELATED DOCUMENTS</p>	<p>The following related documents are referenced in this Policy:</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>HISTORY</p>	<p>This is a new policy.</p>	



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT 20-003

9:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 20, 2020
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors E. Pauls (Chair), B. Clark, T. Jackson, S. Merulla, and N. Nann

Absent with Regrets: Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal

THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Canadian Medical Association Foundation COVID-19 Community Response for Vulnerable Populations Fund (HSC20022) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**
 - (a) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities, or his designate, be authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with the Canadian Medical Association Foundation to administer the Canadian Medical Association Foundation COVID-19 Community Response for Vulnerable Populations Fund; and
 - (b) That any agreements with Community Services Provider(s), as well as any ancillary agreements, contracts, extensions and documents required to give effect thereto be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
2. **Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Parts (SCBA) Parts Shortage (HSC20025) (City Wide) (Added Item 5.3)**

That Report HSC20025, respecting Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Parts (SCBA) Parts Shortage, be received.

3. Basic Income Pilot (Added Item 6.1)

- (a) That the Emergency and Community Services Committee reaffirm Council's position supporting permanent basic income programs and encourage the federal government to pursue a pilot; and
- (b) That the Emergency and Community Services Committee reaffirm Council's support to Basic Income Hamilton to continue its voluntary advocacy group.

4. Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women and Transgender Community Sub-Committee Report 20-001 (Item 8.1)

- (a) Appointment of the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2020 (Item 1)
 - (i) That Councillor Nrinder Nann be appointed Chair of the Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women and Transgender Community Sub-Committee for 2020.
 - (ii) That Carol Cowan-Morneau be appointed Vice-Chair of the Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women and Transgender Community Sub-Committee for 2020.

- (b) Change to the Name of the Sub-Committee (Added Item 13.3)

That the name of the Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women and Transgender Community Sub-Committee be changed to Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women, Non-Binary, and Transgender Community Sub-Committee.

5. Ontario Works Facilities Update (HSC20015) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That Report HSC20015, respecting Ontario Works Facilities Update, be received.

6. Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness (HSC20020) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

- (a) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities, or his designate, be authorized to enter into agreements, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with Living Rock Ministries, Mission Services, Wesley Urban Ministries and the YWCA Hamilton to continue enhanced drop-in services at Living Rock, Willow's Place, Wesley Day Centre and Carole Ann's Place respectively to June 30, 2021 to a maximum of \$3.2 M;
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities, or his designate, be authorized to enter into an agreement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with the Salvation Army Booth Centre in the amount of

approximately \$400 K to fund capital costs to renovate the facility to allow for appropriate physical distancing and create 30 additional single rooms for a total occupancy of 80 single men; and,

- (c) That the Mayor formally request additional provincial Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative and federal Reaching Home funding in order to address the shortfall related to COVID-19 spending within Hamilton's homelessness serving population.

7. Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group Multi-Sport Facility Proposal (HSC20026) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Added Item 8.4)

That Report HSC20026, respecting Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group Multi-Sport Facility Proposal, be received.

8. Let's Get Growing Seed Share Program (Ward 3) (Item 9.1)

WHEREAS, food security has emerged as a critical health equity issue during the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, residents are engaging on a hyper-local and neighbourhood level to express and address needs and offer support to each other during these challenging times;

WHEREAS, community members have shown great interest in desire to become more food secure through gardening;

WHEREAS, these efforts increase the community resilience and provide sustainable models to support a more thriving community for years to come;

WHEREAS, Environment Hamilton has developed the Let's Get Growing seed share program to increase food security through education & tools for self-sufficiency and will serve as the primary coordinating body of this effort;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$1000 be allocated from the Ward 3 Bell Cell Tower (3301609603) to Environment Hamilton for costs associated with implementing the Let's Get Growing Seed Share Program project through the 2020 growing and harvest season in Ward 3;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerks be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents related to the Let's Get Growing Seed Share Program project, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

9. Residential Care Facility (RCF) Complaint Liaison (Added Item 10.2)

- (a) That a position of Residential Care Facility (RCF) Complaint Liaison be assigned within the Healthy and Safe Communities Department to receive complaints, concerns or questions about the services and care provided to residents in Hamilton's licensed RCFs;
- (b) This position will receive complaints, concerns or questions from:
 - (i) individual residents;
 - (ii) Anyone acting on behalf of a resident, including, roommates, peers, self-advocates, friends and family members of individual residents;
 - (iii) Residential home staff, service coordinators, medical providers, hospitals, social service organizations and paraprofessionals regarding a resident(s) issue;
- (c) The position will report to the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department;
- (d) All complaints will be received at no cost;
- (e) Complaints will be treated as confidential, unless required otherwise by legislation, including being to be released to the public under MFIPPA, or PHIPPPA or to another agency for investigation;
- (f) Generally, the process for addressing a complaint or concern will involve:
 - (i) A review of the complaint to determine which agency or city department is responsible for investigation;
 - (ii) If the complaint is determined to be one which can be investigated by the City or another agency, the complaint will be forwarded to the appropriate group for investigation.
 - (iii) Complaints will be handled as quickly as possible. It is anticipated that some complaints can be resolved within a matter of days. Other complaints may take longer if they are complex;
- (g) That Staff be directed to report back on the recommended accountability standards, service levels and process requirements for the various types of complaints that can be addressed by the RCF Liaison position, including details regarding:
 - (i) How the facility will be told that there is a complaint and given an opportunity to correct the situation.

- (ii) If the investigation reveals non-compliance, how the facility will be required to correct the situation and ensure future compliance and how the public will be notified;
- (iii) How the Complainant will be provided with follow up information regarding the outcome of the investigation;

- (h) The General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department will report quarterly a summary of the complaints received, and the status of the complaints;

- (i) This position will be in place until June 30, 2021 or such time as Council decides on a more permanent structure for this role based on the RCF modernization project and the Outstanding Business List item regarding the RCF tenant advocate role; and,

- (j) RCF licensed by the City of Hamilton will be required to post, in a prominent location accessible to residents and their relatives, the contact information for the RCF Complaint Liaison.

10. Birch Avenue Greenspace (Added Item 10.2)

WHEREAS, greenspace in the North end of Ward 3 is deficient;

WHEREAS, pollinator plants are much needed in order to encourage plant propagation across the city;

WHEREAS, a dedicated group of volunteers in the GALA neighbourhood have tended this land successfully for over seven years, adding to the beauty and pride of the neighbourhood;

WHEREAS, this group of community volunteers is willing and interested in further planting of native and pollinator species along the Birch Avenue greenspace;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) \$2000 be allocated from the Ward 3 Bell Tower Fund (3301609603) to the GALA Community Planning Team to purchase plants and to cover other costs associated with establishing and expanding a thriving garden;

- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerks be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

5. CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5.3)

- 5.3 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Parts (SCBA) Parts Shortage (HSC20025) (City Wide)

6. WRITTEN DELEGATIONS (Item 6.1)

- 6.1 John Mills, Hamilton Basic Income Group, respecting cancellation of the Basic Income pilot

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8.4)

- 8.4 Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group Multi-Sport Facility Proposal (HSC20026) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)

10. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10.1)

- 10.1 Residential Care Facilities (RCF) Complaint Liaison

- 10.2 Birch Avenue Greenspace

11. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Items 11.1.a. and 1.1.c.)

- 11.1.a. Items Requiring a New Due Date (Items 11.1.a.d-e, and 11.1.a.h)

- 11.1.a.d. Opportunities and Flexibility of Existing Housing Programs – WITHDRAWN
This item is being withdrawn and added under Items to be Removed as Item 11.1.c.a.

- 11.1.a.e. Hamilton Housing Benefits – WITHDRAWN
This item is being withdrawn and added under Items to be Removed as Item 11.1.c.b.

- 11.1.a.h. Community Hub Proposal/Multi-Sport Indoor Facility – WITHDRAWN
As this item is being addressed on today's agenda as Item 8.4, it is being withdrawn and added to Items to be Removed as Item 11.1.c.c.

- 11.1.c. Items to be Removed (Items 11.1.c.a-c.)

- 11.1.c.a. Opportunities and Flexibility of Existing Housing Programs

11.1.a.e. Hamilton Housing Benefits

11.1.a.h. Community Hub Proposal/Multi-Sport Indoor Facility

The agenda for the June 19, 2020 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) February 20, 2020 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

(i) Correspondence from Shannon Fuller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Early Years and Child Care Division, Ministry of Education, regarding Child Care and EarlyON Sector Funding - COVID Outbreak (Item 4.1)

Correspondence from the Shannon Fuller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Early Years and Child Care Division, Ministry of Education, regarding Child Care and EarlyON Sector Funding - COVID Outbreak, was received.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes (Item 5.1)

The following Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee, were received:

- (a) September 24, 2019 (Item 5.1 (a))
- (b) October 22, 2019 (Item 5.1 (b))
- (c) November 26, 2019 (Item 5.1 (c))
- (d) February 25, 2020 (Item 5.1 (d))

(f) WRITTEN DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) John Mills, Hamilton Basic Income Group, respecting cancellation of the Basic Income pilot (Added Item 6.1)

The Written Delegation, from John Mills, Hamilton Basic Income Group, respecting cancellation of the Basic Income pilot, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

(g) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) Residential Care Facilities (RCF) Complaint Liaison (Added Item 10.1)

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting Residential Care Facilities (RCF) Complaint Liaison.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 9.

(ii) Birch Avenue Greenspace (Added Item 10.2)

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting Birch Avenue Greenspace.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 10.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)

The following amendment to the Emergency and Community Services Outstanding Business List, were approved:

(a) Items Requiring a New Due Date

- (i) Poverty Reduction Investment Plan**
Item on OBL: 17-B
Current Due Date: June 2020
Proposed New Due Date: September 10, 2020
- (ii) Hamilton Youth Engagement Collaboration**
Item on OBL: 17-C
Current Due Date: March 26, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 9, 2020
- (iii) Home for Good**
Item on OBL: 17D
Current Due Date: January 16, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: July 9, 2020
- (iv) All Seasons Soccer Facility**
Item on OBL: 19-B
Current Due Date: January 16, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: October 8, 2020
- (v) Expanding Housing and Support Services for Women**
Item on OBL: 19-C

Current Due Date: February 6, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 10, 2020

- (vi) Curling Facilities
Item on OBL: 19-F
Current Due Date: January 16, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 10, 2020
 - (vii) Ministry's continued support for critical housing investments and leveraging federal funding under the National Housing Strategy through new provincial investments and outlining the City's funding for housing and homelessness programs as confirmed through the 2019 Ontario Budget
Item on OBL: 19-H
Current Due Date: January 16, 2020
Proposed New Due Date: December 10, 2020
 - (viii) Correspondence from Janice Lewis, Board President, Native Women's Centre, respecting Mountainview Emergency Shelter Operations
Item on OBL: 20-A
Current Due Date: N/A
Proposed New Due Date: July 9, 2020
- (b) Items to be Referred
- (i) Consumption and Treatment Services and Wesley Day Centre
Item on OBL: 19-K
To be referred to the Board of Health
Rationale: Consumption and Treatment Services falls under Board of Health
- (c) Items to be Removed
- (i) Opportunities and Flexibility of Existing Housing Programs
Item on OBL: 18-B
Addressed as Item 10.6 at the General Issues Committee, March 20, 2020
 - (ii) Hamilton Housing Benefits
Item on OBL: 19-A
Addressed as Item 10.6 at the General Issues Committee, March 20, 2020
 - (iii) Community Hub Proposal/Multi-Sport Indoor Facility Development
Item on OBL: 19-D

Addressed as Item 8.4 on today's agenda

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor E. Pauls
Chair, Emergency and Community Services
Committee

Tamara Bates
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council: June 24, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. JACKSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Waive the Notice Provision for an Amendment to the Procedural By-law

WHEREAS it is now necessary to amend the Procedural By-law further to update sections of By-law 18-270, as amended, which apply to Electronic participation by citizen Committee members at electronic Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Planning Committee and Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and associated Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings in accordance with applicable legislation;

WHEREAS it is now necessary to amend the Procedural By-law further to update sections of By-law 18-270, as amended, which apply to Electronic participation by the public at public meetings held in accordance with applicable legislation, in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings at electronic Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee, Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee;

WHEREAS, By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice, requires that public notice is required to advise of a Committee meeting to consider the enactment of a procedure bylaw in the form of one notice published in a newspaper a minimum of 14 days prior to the Committee meeting; and

WHEREAS, By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice also notes that Council may direct that other notice is to be given as Council considers adequate and when the City Manager determines that an emergency situation exists;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Council waive the notice provision within By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice in order for an amendment to be made to the Procedural By-law effective immediately.

CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Council: June 24, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. JACKSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS.....

Enforcement Request of Excessive Exhaust Vehicular Noise Levels

WHEREAS muffler-less vehicles and unnecessary noise under the *Highway Traffic Act* are both enforceable by Hamilton Police Service (HPS) for operating a vehicle without a muffler or having a muffler that produces excessive noise (Bill 229 - *Highway Traffic Amendment Act* (Muffler Noise), 2007);

WHEREAS the *Highway Traffic Act* covers both motorcycles and loud cars/trucks;

WHEREAS disturbances caused by Noise Pollution affects the “quality of life” for our residents;

WHEREAS a growing and increasing number of complaints are occurring during the period of COVID-19 due to less volumes of vehicles on the road;

WHEREAS HPS blitzes carried out on the Mountain and in Waterdown during the Summer of 2013 conducted by then Sgt. Myra James were tremendously successful in reducing Excessive Vehicular Noise levels and simultaneously raising awareness of this *Highway Traffic Act* offence; and

WHEREAS Halton Regional Police have conducted successful blitzes in 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That City Council respectfully request a Strategic Enforcement of Excessive or Unusual Noise from Motor Vehicles by Hamilton Police Services during the Summer/Fall of 2020;
- (b) That this motion be forwarded to the Hamilton Police Services Board for consideration; and
- (c) That City of Hamilton, Licensing and By-law Services staff work in consultation with Hamilton Police Services to explore a possible partnership between both agencies to work together in conducting Strategic Enforcement of Excessive or

Unusual Noise from Motor Vehicles for education and/or possible enforcement blitz's during the Summer/Fall of 2020.

**CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION**

Council: June 24, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. PEARSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Central Composting Facility Request for Proposal Options (City Wide) (Referred to Council by Public Works Committee at its meeting of June 17, 2020)

WHEREAS, the current contract for the operation and maintenance of the City of Hamilton’s Central Composting Facility commenced in June 2006;

WHEREAS, the current operation and maintenance contract for the Central Composting Facility will expire December 31st, 2020;

WHEREAS, staff were authorized and directed to prepare and issue Request for Proposal C11-09-20 for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility under the same terms and conditions of the current contract;

WHEREAS, staff were directed to prepare and submit an in-house bid;

WHEREAS, Request for Proposal C11-09-20 was issued on May 25th, 2020 and is set to close July 20th, 2020;

WHEREAS, staff received a request from a proponent to include offsite third-party processing of organic material collected through the green bin program as an alternative proposal to Request for Proposal C11-09-20; and,

WHEREAS, a further option for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility can be considered; however it, would be a material change to recently issued Request for Proposal C11-09-20;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to cancel Request for Proposal C11-09-20, Operation and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility;
- (b) That staff modify Request for Proposal C11-09-20, Operation and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility to include the option for offsite third-party processing of organic waste collected through the green bin program while operating the Central Composting Facility as a transfer station;

- (c) That staff reissue Request for Proposal C11-09-20 to obtain proposals for both the operations and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility and offsite third-party processing of organic material;
- (d) That staff still prepare and submit an in-house bid for the operation and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility;
- (e) ***That staff be directed to conduct a risk assessment of contracted operations and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility vs. third-party, offsite processing vs. in-house operations and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility;***
- (f) ***That staff report back to the Public Works Committee with recommendations based on the results of the risk assessment and both the in-house bid and external bids (contracted operations and maintenance of the Central Composting Facility and third-party, offsite processing) received in response to the RFP; and***
- (g) That staff be directed to enter into negotiations with Maple Reinders Constructors Ltd. for the purpose of extending current contract C11-105-03 for the Operations and Maintenance of the Central Composting Facility for a time period of up to six months to allow for the re-issuing of RFP C11-09-20.

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: June 24, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J.P. DANKO.....

Reconsideration of Item 6.4 (a) of the April 15, 2020 Council Minutes (20-007) respecting Report PED20057, Demolition Permit - 393 Rymal Road West

That Item 6.4 (a) of the April 15, 2020 Council Minutes (20-007), respecting Report PED20057, Demolition Permit - 393 Rymal Road West, which was approved by Council on April 15, 2020 and reads as follows, be reconsidered:

6.4 (a) Demolition Permit - 393 Rymal Road West (PED20057) (Ward 8)

- (a) That the Chief Building Official be authorized to issue a demolition permit for 393 Rymal Road West in accordance with By-law 09-208, as amended by By-law 13-185, pursuant to Section 33 of The Planning Act, subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) That the applicant has applied for and received a building permit for a replacement building on this property;
 - (ii) That the said building permit specifies that if the replacement building is not erected within two years of the demolition of the existing building on the property, the City be paid the sum of \$20,000 which sum:
 - (a) the City Clerk is authorized to enter on the collector's roll and collect in like manner as municipal taxes; and
 - (b) is a lien or charge on the property until paid; and
 - (iii) That the applicant be required to register on title to the subject property (prior to issuance of the said demolition permit), notice of these conditions in a form satisfactory to the Chief Building Official and the City Solicitor.

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: June 24, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS.....

City Ambassadors on the Waterfront Trail

WHEREAS the use of the Waterfront Trail has become popular with out of town cyclists many of whom are speeding and racing down the trail, creating daily safety concerns for those in the area; and,

WHEREAS Licensing and By-law Services has previously hired summer students to act as City Ambassadors to educate the public and enforce City By-laws.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That Licensing and By-law Services be directed to hire two summer students to act as City Ambassadors on the Waterfront Trail for the months of July and August at a cost of approximately \$12,000 which will be covered through the Hamilton Beach Reserve Account 108037.

CITY OF HAMILTON

**BY-LAW NO. 20-
Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control
Block 92 (Parts 1-7), Registered Plan No. 62M-1060 “Summerlea East, Phase 1”,
municipally known as 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, and 37 Bradley Avenue**

WHEREAS the sub-section 50(5) of the *Planning Act*, (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended, establishes part-lot control on land within registered plans of subdivision;

AND WHEREAS sub-section 50(7) of the *Planning Act*, provides as follows:

“(7) **Designation of lands not subject to part lot control.** -- Despite subsection (5), the council of a local municipality may by by-law provide that subsection (5) does not apply to land that is within such registered plan or plans of subdivision or parts of them as are designated in the by-law.”

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Hamilton is desirous of enacting such a by-law with respect to the lands hereinafter described;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Sub-section 5 of Section 50 of the *Planning Act*, for the purpose of creating 6 residential parcels for street townhouse dwellings and 1 easement for maintenance and access purposes, shown as Parts 1 to 7, inclusive, on deposited Reference Plan 62R-21463, shall not apply to the portion of the registered plan of subdivision that is designated as follows, namely:

Block 92, Registered Plan No. 62M-1060, in the City of Hamilton.

2. This by-law shall be registered on title to the said designated land and shall come into force and effect on the date of such registration.
3. This by-law shall expire and cease to be of any force or effect on the 24th day of June, 2022.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

**To Designate Land Located at 24 Main Street West, City of Hamilton as
Property of Cultural Heritage Value**

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Hamilton did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection was served on the City Clerk as required by subsection 29(5) of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS it is desired to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with clause 29(6) (a) of the said Act.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. The property located at 24 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of cultural heritage value.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of heritage attributes set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
 - a. to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on The Ontario Heritage Trust by personal service or by registered mail;
 - b. to publish a notice of this by-law once in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Hamilton.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

To Designate Land Located at 24 Main Street West, City of Hamilton as Property of
Cultural Heritage Value

Schedule "A"

To

By-law No. 20-126

24 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario

PIN: 17166-0005 (LT)

Legal Description:

LT 41 P. HAMILTON SURVEY CITY OF HAMILTON; PT LT 42 P. HAMILTON
SURVEY CITY OF HAMILTON; PT LT 40 P. HAMILTON SURVEY CITY OF
HAMILTON; PT LT

To Designate Land Located at 24 Main Street West, City of Hamilton as Property of
Cultural Heritage Value

Schedule "B"

To

By-law No. 20-126

24 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST AND
DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

New Vision United Church, formerly named Centenary United Church, municipally known as 24 Main Street West is a two storey high, gabled roof, red brick church building, built in 1868 in the Romanesque Revival style and also including Gothic Revival influences, including six octagonal turrets. It has a gabled roof entry addition on the Main Street West façade, built in 1896, and a flat roofed, one storey addition, built in 1992. This one storey addition has decorative parapets, and extends along the MacNab Street South elevation, wrapping around the rear of the building, culminating with a façade facing the east alleyway.

The building is situated on an approximately 0.36 of an acre parcel of land located on the north side of Main Street West, between James Street South and MacNab Street South in the core downtown area in the City of Hamilton.

DESIGN / PHYSICAL VALUE

The property has design or physical value because it is the only surviving example of a church building built for the Methodists in the 19th century in the downtown core of Hamilton that has remained in continuous use by congregations in the Canadian Methodist tradition. It is a representative example of a Romanesque Revival red brick church and is distinguished on its interior by the layout of the auditorium designed with a U-shaped plan balcony gallery and pulpit area at one end. The 1868 building and 1896 front entrance addition display a high degree of artistic merit in the design, composition and execution of the carved limestone accents, granite column shafts, incorporation of slim octagonal buttresses, brick corbelling and castellations and stained glass window work. In the interior its artistic merit is displayed through the metal columns supporting the balcony area, the carved stone memorials at either side of the choir and former pulpit area.

HISTORICAL / ASSOCIATIVE VALUE

The property has historical or associative value as it has direct associations with the theme of religious organizations in Hamilton and their contributions to the cultural and social life of the City of Hamilton. The property has direct associations with the Methodist and then the United Church of Canada organizations which are significant to the community in Hamilton. At the time of its construction, Methodists represented a rapidly increasing number of the Hamilton population, and as a result, the building was constructed to accommodate this growing Methodist downtown congregation. The church's significant scale and its vast interior auditorium space were specifically designed for religious worship and authoritatively symbolize a key part of Methodist religious belief and practice. Later, the United Church in Canada at its inception in 1924 as a union of Methodists, Congregationalists and Presbyterians instantly became the largest Protestant denomination in Canada and remains so to this day. As such, the United Church continues to have influence in communities. It has continued to serve as a downtown based community hub, which will incorporate a music gathering space within the same building.

Centenary Women's Missionary Society, the first in Canada, was founded at the Centenary Church in 1881. It is associated with Martha Cartmell, member of the congregation and first Canadian woman Methodist missionary abroad. It is also associated with Edward Jackson, member and trustee of the Centenary United Church, who funded the first Chair of theology at Victoria University in Toronto. The property also reflects the work or ideas of an architect who is significant to the City of Hamilton community. The church was designed by Albert H. Hills, early builder and architect in the City of Hamilton. He is the architect of several notable buildings some no longer standing. The Centenary United Church represents a unique example of his work due to its larger scale compared to the other surviving ecclesiastical work and execution of the design in the Romanesque Revival style with the unique octagonal turrets.

CONTEXTUAL VALUE

The property has contextual value because it is important in defining the character of the heart of the downtown core in the City of Hamilton. The building was oriented to have a strong presence on the street, with a prominent entrance for pedestrians and attendees to the church. The visual prominence of the Main Street and MacNab Street façades speaks of the important presence of the church building and as an organization in the neighbourhood and City. The building has been a defining architectural element of the streetscape since 1868 and from a social perspective, its presence within the downtown urban fabric demonstrates a longevity to religious devotion.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The cultural heritage value of the New Vision United Church building, municipally known as 24 Main Street West resides in the following heritage attributes that are related to the cultural heritage value described above:

Attributes present on the exterior of the 1868 portion of the church:

- Gabled roof and timber roof framing;
- Massing and form of the 1868 church building including its rectangular plan;
- Moulded red brick construction, laid in a stretcher bond, with areas of brick turned on their header (not consistently for entire courses). This occurs in variations of pattern on every elevation of the building;
- Stone construction at first floor, clad in red brick;
- Load bearing brick walls at second and attic level elevation;
- Contrasting colour mortar;
- Stained and coloured glass windows with their original wood frames on the west, east, south and north (closed in) elevations.

Composition, size and placement of the following architectural elements with respect to the whole on the 1868 portion of the church:

- Elongated window openings with masonry brick arches with stone sills and their profile on each elevation;
- the masonry brick arches over the window openings on the north, west and east elevations and the elaborately profiled stone arches over the windows on the south elevation;
- Brick corbelling and castellations on each elevation;
- Segmental brick arched windows with paired one over one wood windows and the segmental brick arch (formerly a window) on the east elevation;
- Symmetrically arranged architectural components identified on this list on the south elevation;
- Quatrefoil windows with elaborately profiled stone surround on the south elevation;
- Red brick slim buttresses with stone cap accents on the east and west elevations; and,
- Four symmetrically placed octagonal brick buttresses with decorative, intricately detailed, cut stone accents, that extend beyond the roof line to make slim decorative octagonal turrets on the south elevation and one each at the northeast and northwest corners of the main, tallest section of the building.

1896 front entrance addition:

- Red brick, pattern laid on a diagonal;
- Red mortar with traces of tuck pointing with white lime mortar;
- Stone accents, including but not limited to arches, quatrefoil window surround, coping (under metal flashing); and,
- Red granite columns with limestone base and capital accents.

Attributes present in the interior of the 1868 portion of the church:

- Layout of main auditorium with "U- shaped plan" balcony and extension to the north of the building, separated from the nave/main auditorium space by an arch;
- Balcony with its supporting metal columns with decorative metal capitals;
- Balcony railing made of wood and metal;
- Round metal grilles at ceiling;

- Curved ceiling, with decorative faux beams and associated brackets on the walls;
- Interior doors into the auditoriums; and,
- Buttresses and dressed stone base along original west exterior wall now enclosed within 1992 addition.

**CITY OF HAMILTON
BY-LAW NO. 20-**

A By-law to Amend By-law No. 20-056 being a By-law to Promote and Regulate Physical Distancing during the COVID-19 Emergency in the City of Hamilton and to amend City of Hamilton By-law No. 17-225, being a By-law to Establish a System of Administrative Penalties

WHEREAS the World Health Organization has declared a worldwide pandemic regarding the Novel Coronavirus (“**COVID-19 Pandemic**”);

AND WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, a Declaration of Emergency was made by the Province of Ontario pursuant to section 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 9 (the “**Act**”) related to the COVID-19 Pandemic;

AND WHEREAS on March 27, 2020, the Province of Ontario granted power to municipal law enforcement officers to enforce Orders issued by the Province under the *Act* (the “**Provincial Orders**”);

AND WHEREAS section 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides that a municipality may pass by-laws respecting the health, safety and well-being of persons;

AND WHEREAS Council of the City of Hamilton enacted a by-law on April 8, 2020 to support the intent and purpose of the Provincial Orders made under the *Act* in order to protect the health, safety and well-being of persons in the City of Hamilton by prohibiting certain activities and regulating physical distancing during the COVID-19 Emergency;

AND WHEREAS the Hamilton Region Conservation Authority (“**HRCA**”) has closed certain parks and waterfalls to further prevent the spread of COVID-19 in popular areas that attract numerous people and therefore makes it difficult to adhere to physical distancing restrictions and the HRCA has asked for the City’s support in enforcing these closures during the COVID-19 Emergency;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to amend the by-law to reflect changes to the Provincial Orders and to further prevent the spread of COVID-19 in areas where people tend to congregate;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. The amendments in this By-law include any necessary grammatical, numbering and letter changes.
2. That sections 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5 be repealed and replaced with the following:

2.3 No person shall attend or use a City of Hamilton owned or managed property or a Hamilton Region Conservation Authority owned or managed property when that property is closed, as indicated by signage or otherwise indicated as closed to the public.

3. Schedule A of By-law No. 17-225 is amended by repealing Table 22 and replacing it with the following:

TABLE 22: BY-LAW NO. 20-056 To Promote and Regulate Physical Distancing During the COVID-19 Emergency				
ITEM	COLUMN 1 DESIGNATED BY-LAW & SECTION		COLUMN 2 SHORT FORM WORDING	COLUMN 3 SET PENALTY
1	20-056	2.1	Fail to maintain a distance of at least two (2) metres from another person	\$500.00
2	20-056	2.2	Proprietor fail to ensure physical distancing in Public Space	\$500.00
3	20-056	2.3	Attend/Use closed City of Hamilton or HRCA property	\$500.00
4	20-056	4.7	Obstructing an Officer or Authorized Staff	\$500.00

10. That in all other respects, By-law 20-056 and By-law 17-225 are confirmed; and

11. That the provisions of this by-law shall become effective on the date approved by City Council and shall remain in force during the COVID-19 Emergency.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

CITY OF HAMILTON
BY-LAW NO. 20-

To Amend By-law 07-170, a By-law to License and Regulate Various Businesses

WHEREAS Council enacted a By-law to License and Regulate Various businesses, being By-law No. 07-170; and,

WHEREAS this By-law amends By-law No. 07-170;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. The amendments in this By-law include any necessary grammatical, numbering and lettering changes;
2. Schedule 24 of By-law No. 07-170 is amended by deleting the definitions of “Class A” “Class B” and “Class C” in the definitions section;
3. Schedule 24, subsection 16 is deleted in its entirety;
4. Schedule 24, subsection 18(e) is amended by deleting the words “documentation demonstrating the number of vehicles in the PTP fleet on the date of application, so as to determine if the PTP is a Class A, Class B, or Class C”;
5. Schedule 24, subsection 19(d) is amended by deleting the words “documentation demonstrating the number of vehicles in the PTP delete on the date of renewal so as to determine if the PTP is a Class A, Class B, or Class C”;
6. That in all other respects, By-law 07-170 is hereby confirmed; and
7. That the provisions of this By-law shall become effective on the date approved by Council.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

To Amend By-law No. 18-270, the Council Procedural By-law

WHEREAS Council enacted a Council Procedural By-law being City of Hamilton By-law No. 18-270;

WHEREAS Council enacted an amendment to By-law 18-270, as amended, to allow for electronic participation pursuant to s. 238(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* on March 20, 2020;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 18-270, as amended, further to provide for updated sections of the By-law 18-270, as amended, when members of the public are participating at ELECTRONIC Council and/or Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and associated Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings in accordance with applicable legislation.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That By-law No. 18-270, be amended:

(i) By **amending** Section 9.2 (2) and adding Section 9.2 (3), as follows:

9.2 Electronic Participation During an Emergency

(2) Electronic participation, in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001* and/or any other applicable legislation, is permitted by ***citizen Committee members*** at the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, ***Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and associated Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee*** meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible. (Refer to ***Revised*** Appendix 'K' for UPDATED SECTIONS OF BY-LAW 18-270, AS AMENDED as they would apply to Electronic participation by members of Council at ELECTRONIC Council and/or Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible)

(3) Electronic participation, that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001* and/or any other applicable legislation, is permitted by members of public at the Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee, Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee. (Refer to **Revised** Appendix 'K' for UPDATED SECTIONS OF BY-LAW 18-270, AS AMENDED as they would apply to Electronic participation by members of Council at ELECTRONIC Council and/or Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible)

2. That By-law No. 18-270, as amended, be further amended:

(i) To include **Revised** Appendix K, Conducting an Electronic Meeting – Public for the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and associated Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee, attached hereto.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

Revised Appendix K

CONDUCTING AN ELECTRONIC MEETING – PUBLIC

MAYOR’S TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY, *PLANNING COMMITTEE, HAMILTON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATED WORKING GROUPS (EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATIONS WORKING GROUP, POLICY AND DESIGN WORKING GROUP, INVENTORY AND RESEARCH WORKING GROUP), CROSS-MELVILLE DISTRICT HERITAGE COMMITTEE AND HERITAGE PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE*

The following UPDATED SECTIONS OF BY-LAW 18-270, AS AMENDED applies to Electronic participation by ***citizen Committee members*** and members of the public at ELECTRONIC Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Mayor’s Task Force on Economic Recovery, ***Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and associated Working Groups (Education and Communications Working Group, Policy and Design Working Group, Inventory and Research Working Group), Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee*** only:

- 2.1 The rules of procedure shall be observed in all ELECTRONIC proceedings of Council and shall be the rules for the order and dispatch of business in Council and unless specifically provided, with necessary modifications, apply to all Committees.
- 2.2 All matters relating to the ELECTRONIC proceedings of Council and Committees for which rules have not been provided for in this By-law and its Appendices shall be decided, as far as is reasonably practicable, with reference to the parliamentary rules as contained in the most recent edition of *Bourinot’s Rules of Order*, Geoffrey H. Stanford, Fourth Edition.
- 5.4 **Quorum**
 - (5) If Quorum cannot be maintained during an ELECTRONIC meeting, DUE TO A LOSS OF ELECTRONIC CONNECTION, the Clerk will advise the Chair that quorum is lost and the MEETING WILL BE RECESSED UNTIL THE ELECTRONIC CONNECTION IS RESUMED, WHICH COULD RESULT IN A DELAY TO THE NEXT AVAILABLE BUSINESS DAY. THE CLERK WILL ENSURE THAT THE PROPER MESSAGING RESPECTING THE CONTINUATION OF A COMMITTEE MEETING TO THE FOLLOWING OR NEXT AVAILABLE DAY IS ON THE CITY’S WEBSITE.

5.10 Order of Business

- (i) The general Order of Business for the ELECTRONIC meetings of Standing Committees, unless changed by the Standing Committee in the course of the meeting, shall be as follows:
 - (a) Approval of Agenda
 - (b) Declarations of Interest
 - (c) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - (d) Communications
 - (e) Consent Items
 - (f) Public Hearings/Written Delegations
 - (g) Staff Presentations
 - (h) Discussion Items
 - (i) Motions
 - (j) Notice of Motions
 - (k) General Information/Other Business
 - (l) Private and Confidential
 - (m) Adjournment

5.11 WRITTEN Delegations/VIRTUAL Delegations

- (1) Persons who wish to APPEAR VIRTUALLY as a delegate at a public meeting held in accordance with applicable legislation, in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings at electronic Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Planning Committee, Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee, Cross-Melville District Heritage Committee and Heritage Permit Review Committee, shall make a request in writing to be listed as a delegation, such request to be received by the Clerk no later than 12:00 noon the business day before the meeting. If the Committee is meeting on a Monday, the deadline will be 12:00 noon on the Friday.

The “Request to Speak to a Committee of Council - VIRTUALLY” form is available on the City’s website at <https://www.hamilton.ca/council-committee/council-committee-meetings/request-speak-committee-council>

- (2) Persons who wish to delegate to Committee on matters that don't require the holding of a public meeting in accordance with applicable legislation, shall submit their delegation in WRITING to the Clerk, the Clerk will list the delegation on the Committee's upcoming agenda. Such WRITTEN delegations must be received by the Clerk no later than 12:00 noon the business day before the meeting.
- (3) A request to APPEAR VIRTUALLY as a delegation at a public meeting held in accordance with applicable legislation, shall include the person's name, reason(s) for the delegation, and if applicable the name, address and telephone number of any person, corporations or organizations which they represent. Requests to appear virtually will only be accepted for items listed on the agenda.
- (4) Upon receipt of a request to APPEAR VIRTUALLY as a delegation at a public meeting held in accordance with applicable legislation, the Clerk shall list the delegation request on the next appropriate agenda for the relevant Committee.
- (5) A VIRTUAL delegation of one or more persons, being made at a public meeting held in accordance with applicable legislation, will be limited to five (5) minutes.
- (6) Notwithstanding subsection 5.11(5), an extension of a specific allotment of time to the five-minute speaking restriction may be granted with the approval of a majority of the members of the Committee present.
- (7) Delegates appearing Virtually will adhere to Section 7 – Order and Decorum of the Procedural By-law 18-270 as amended.
- (8) A VIRTUAL delegation may provide additional written material regarding the subject matter, for the public record, by providing a copy of such written material to the Clerk at least 5 days in advance of the meeting.
- (9) Except as required by by-law, any VIRTUAL Delegations who have previously appeared before a particular Committee on a subject matter shall be limited to providing only new information in their second and subsequent appearances at that Committee.

5.12 Public Hearings

- (1) Public Hearings shall be held at Standing Committee meetings.
- (2) Advertising or notice of a Public Hearing shall be undertaken as required by applicable legislation, by-law, or according to City policy, to advise interested persons.
- (3) Public Hearings shall follow the following order:
 - (a) an introduction of the subject matter by the Chair or by staff;

- (b) the staff presentation, if any and if not waived by the members of the Standing Committee; and
 - (c) presentations by delegations who have registered to APPEAR VIRTUALLY, will be heard.
- (4) Persons who wish to appear as a delegation VIRTUALLY to address Committee on a matter that is the subject of a Public Hearing may make a delegation in accordance with section 5.11 of Appendix K.
- (5) VIRTUAL delegations made at a Public Hearing will be limited to 5 minutes.
- (6) Where a delegation wishes to provide written material to the members of the Standing Committee at a Public Hearing, which will become public record, the delegation shall:
- (a) comply with subsection 5.11(8) of Appendix K.
- 10.1** The Clerk shall MAKE the agendas of ELECTRONIC Council and Committee meetings AVAILABLE to members of Council and Senior Leadership Team at least 5 days prior to the scheduled meetings ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE.
- 10.2** The Clerk shall make the agendas of ELECTRONIC Council and Committee meetings, available to the media and general public, simultaneously with the distribution set out in subsection 10.1.

Authority: Item 7, Audit, Finance & Administration
Committee Report 20- 004
(AUD20003)
CM: June 24, 2020
Ward: City Wide

Bill No. 130

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

To Amend By-law No. 19-181, the Whistleblower By-law

WHEREAS Council enacted a Whistleblower By-law being City of Hamilton By-law No. 19-181;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 19-181.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That By-law No. 19-181, be amended:
 - (i) to replace reporting to Council quarterly with reporting to Council semi-annually;
2. This By-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

Authority: Item 3, Public Works Committee Report
20-004 (PW20001(a))
CM: June 24, 2020
Ward: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13,
14, 15

Bill No. 131

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

**To Amend By-law No. 01-215
Being a By-law To Regulate Traffic**

WHEREAS sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, authorize the City of Hamilton to pass by-laws as necessary or desirable for the public and municipal purposes, and in particular paragraphs 4 through 8 of subsection 10(2) authorize by-laws respecting: assets of the municipality, the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality; health, safety and well-being of persons; the provision of any service or thing that it considers necessary or desirable for the public; and the protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS on the 18th day of September, 2001, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacted By-law No. 01-215 to regulate traffic;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law No. 01-215.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Schedule 4 (Yield Control) of By-law No. 01-215, as amended, is hereby further amended by removing from Section "A" (Ancaster) thereof the following item, namely;

Haig Road	Eastbound	Bailey Ave
Haig Road	Westbound	Massey Drive
Alexander Road	Westbound	Massey Drive
Mewburn Road	Northbound	Alexander Road

And by removing from Section "B" (Dundas) thereof the following items, namely;

Osgoode Court	Southbound	Presidio Drive
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And by removing from Section "F" (Stoney Creek) thereof the following items,
namely;

Ada Court	Westbound	Ainsworth Street
Lyngate Court	Northbound	Gerald Crescent
Dolman Street	Northbound	Isidore Place
Slinger Crescent	Northbound	Slinger Avenue
Byron Avenue	Eastbound	Aubrey Avenue
Vanderwood Court	Southbound	Teak Street
Lindsay Court	Northbound	Oakridge Drive
Southmeadow Crescent	Southbound	Pine Drive
Southmeadow Court	Southbound	Maple Drive
Pecan Court	Southbound	Salina Place
Seville Court	Northbound	Midway Street
Vega Crescent	Eastbound	Morello Place
Greening Avenue	Eastbound	Juniper Drive
Eastbury Drive	Northbound	Basswood Court
Glenholme Avenue	Westbound	Bel-Air Avenue
Cherrywood Drive	Eastbound	Piott Court
Berkley Place	Northbound	Terrace Drive
Gemma Court	Westbound	Mountain Avenue North
First Street North	Northbound	Galbraith Drive
Galbraith Drive	Northbound/Southbound	Avalon Avenue
Brandow Court	Westbound	Second Street North
Grande Avenue	Northbound	Pleasant Avenue
Grande Avenue	Southbound	Orlanda Road

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Rita Street	Southbound	Vilma Avenue
Rita Street	Northbound	Bertram Drive
Shirley Street	Northbound	Bertram Drive
Bertram Drive	Westbound	David Street
Barrie Street	Northbound	Bertram Drive
Adelaide Avenue	Westbound	Desjardin Avenue
Normandy Place	Southbound	Bertram Drive
Hilltop Place	Eastbound	Edenbridge Court
Glen Court	Southbound	Pleasant Avenue
Valleyview Court	Southbound	Pleasant Avenue
Applewood Court	Southbound	Pleasant Avenue
Monarch Court	Eastbound	Kings Gate
Rhodes Court	Northbound	Turnbull Road
Whitfield Court	Southbound	Turnbull Road
Four Winds Place	Southbound	Autumn Leaf Road
Crystal Court	Southbound	Autumn Leaf Road
Moonglow Place	Westbound	Sunrise Crescent
Maid Marion Street	Northbound	Sherwood Rise
Maid Marion Street	Southbound	Robinhood Drive
Ancaster Street East	Eastbound	East Street South
Soble Place	Southbound	Golfview Crescent
Linda Court	Southbound	Marion Crescent
Janis Court	Southbound	Marion Crescent
Yorkview Place	Southbound	Cammay Avenue

And by adding to Section "C" (Flamborough) thereof the following items, namely;

Agro Street	Northbound	Skinner Road
Mountain Heights Place	Westbound	Agro Street
Great Falls Boulevard	Westbound	Agro Street
Great Falls Boulevard	Northbound	Skinner Road
McDonough Gardens	Eastbound	Agro Street
Westfield Crescent (north intersection)	Westbound	Agro Street
Westfield Crescent (south intersection)	Westbound	Agro Street
Avanti Crescent	Eastbound	Agro Street
Kenesky Drive	Westbound	Agro Street
Kenesky Drive	Eastbound/Westbound	Burke Street
Kenesky Drive	Eastbound	Ebenezer Drive
Granite Ridge Trail	Northbound	Kenesky Drive
Granite Ridge Trail	Eastbound/Westbound	Ebenezer Drive
Granite Ridge Trail	Northbound/Southbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Ebenezer Drive	Southbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Ebenezer Drive	Northbound	Skinner Road
Sealey Avenue	Northbound	Granite Ridge Trail
Sealey Avenue	Northbound/Southbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Sealey Avenue	Southbound	Elstone Place
Frontier Trail	Northbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Edworthy Gardens	Northbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Edworthy Gardens	Southbound	Elstone Place

Elstone Place	Westbound	Frontier Trail
Zimmerman Gardens	Northbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Zimmerman Gardens	Southbound	Elstone Place
Trailbank Gardens	Northbound	Skinner Road
Trailbank Gardens	Southbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Hager Creek Terrace	Westbound	Trailbank Gardens
Hager Creek Terrace	Eastbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Silver Meadow Gardens	Westbound	Trailbank Gardens
Silver Meadow Gardens	Northbound	Hager Creek Terrace
Cattail Crescent (west intersection)	Northbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Cattail Crescent (east intersection)	Northbound	Great Falls Boulevard
Valley Trail Place	Westbound	Mallard Trail
Humphrey Street	Westbound	Mallard Trail
Humphrey Street	Southbound	Skinner Road
Grierson Trail	Northbound	Humphrey Street
Grierson Trail	Southbound	Skinner Road
Holcomb Terrace	Westbound	Humphrey Street
Holcomb Terrace	Southbound	Skinner Road
Pond View Gate	Northbound	Skinner Road
Pond View Gate	Westbound	Smokey Hollow Place
Smokey Hollow Place	Eastbound	Pond View Gate
Gardenbrook Trail	Westbound	Pond View Gate
Gardenbrook Trail	Northbound	Skinner Road

And by adding to Section "E" (Hamilton) thereof the following items, namely;

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Aylett Street	Northbound	Mapes Avenue
Bartlett Avenue	Northbound	Allison Crescent
Angelina Place	Northbound	Regent Avenue
Ottaviano Drive	Eastbound	McIntosh Avenue
Vista Court	Eastbound	Horizon Crescent
Harvard Place	Eastbound	Falkirk Drive
Bordeaux Court	Eastbound	Republic Avenue
Montebello Court	Northbound	Bastille Street
Anita Court	Eastbound	Acadia Drive
Osgoode Court	Southbound	Presidio Drive
Nina Court	Southbound	Ironwood Crescent
Villa Court	Northbound	Anna Capri Drive
Tuna Court	Eastbound	Tunbridge Crescent
Elodia Court	Northbound	Susan Drive
Glebe Court	Eastbound	Gillard Street
Gillard Street	Southbound	Gardiner Drive
Elsa Court	Northbound	Greendale Drive
Piper Place	Northbound	Fiona Crescent
Fontana Court	Eastbound	Springvalley Crescent
Saint Anthony Place	Northbound	Springvalley Crescent
Eric Burke Court	Westbound	Theodore Drive
Northstar Court	Southbound	Milky Way Drive
Morningstar Court	Southbound	Milky Way Drive
Hugo Court	Southbound	Darlington Drive

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Valery Court	Eastbound	Bonaventure Drive
Waldorf Court	Southbound	Parkwood Crescent
Fontainbleu Court	Southbound	Parkwood Crescent
Bogart Court	Eastbound	Billington Crescent
Boon Court	Eastbound	Billington Crescent
Rapallo Drive	Southbound	Anson Avenue
Rapallo Drive	Northbound	Gatineau Drive
Weston Court	Southbound	Anson Avenue
Lamb Court	Northbound	Larch Street
Mansion Court	Southbound	Loheed Drive
Ranko Court	Eastbound	Artistic Boulevard
Bosna Court	Southbound	Summerlea Drive
Bethany Court	Westbound	Balfour Drive
Gleneagles Drive	Northbound	Auchmar Road
Gleneagles Drive	Southbound	Braemar Place
Andrew Court	Westbound	Hoover Crescent
Wingate Place	Westbound	Warren Avenue
Camille Court	Westbound	Grenadier Drive
Marvin Court	Westbound	Grenadier Drive
Barnett Court	Westbound	Grenadier Drive
Symon Place	Eastbound	Hardale Crescent
Ferrara Street	Southbound	Wise Crescent
Elva Court	Eastbound	King's Forest Drive
Sandra Court	Eastbound	King's Forest Drive

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Tilbury Court	Eastbound	King's Forest Drive
Filer Court	Eastbound	King's Forest Drive
Cecilia Court	Eastbound	King's Forest Drive
Burns Place	Eastbound	East 38 th Street
Patricia Place	Eastbound	East 38 th Street
Donlea Drive	Southbound	Valecrest Avenue
Valecrest Avenue	Eastbound	Elmhurst Drive
Henry Street	Westbound	New Street
Edison Street	Westbound	New Street
Roseland Avenue	Westbound	Blake Street
Troy Avenue	Westbound	Tate Avenue
Troy Avenue	Eastbound	Dunn Avenue
Admiral Place	Westbound	MacLaren Avenue
Keats Road	Northbound	Gainsborough Road
Keats Road	Southbound	Old Orchard Drive
Kelvin Court	Northbound	Old Orchard Drive
Scott Street	Northbound	Gainsborough Road
Blueberry Drive	Eastbound	Strawberry Drive
Fairholme Court	Northbound	Highridge Avenue
Talia Court	Northbound	Janet Court
Duchess Court	Westbound	Oakland Drive
Kings Court	Westbound	Oakland Drive
Queens Court	Westbound	Oakland Drive
Lady Court	Eastbound	Kenora Avenue

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Lord Court	Eastbound	Kenora Avenue
Hart Place	Eastbound	Crawford Drive
Redwood Court	Eastbound	Woodman Drive North
Sandlyn Court	Eastbound	Nugent Drive
Capilano Drive	Westbound	Country Club Drive
Alto Drive	Southbound	Country Club Drive
Rio Court	Eastbound	Alto Drive
Renis Court	Northbound	Sherry Lane Drive
Zell Court	Northbound	Sherry Lane Drive
Sherry Lane Drive	Eastbound	Hildegard Drive
Venus Court	Westbound	Hildegard Drive
Monte Court	Eastbound	Monte Drive
Tracey Place	Eastbound	Blanche Court
Burbank Place	Northbound	Carene Avenue
Bryant Court	Southbound	Robroy Avenue
Laura Court	Eastbound	Woodman Drive South
Colonial Court	Northbound	Rainbow Drive
Isaac Court	Northbound	Rainbow Drive
Birkdale Place	Eastbound	Montmorency Drive
Marantha Place	Southbound	Montmorency Drive
Renner Court	Northbound	Brookstream Court
Forest Hill Crescent	Eastbound	Glen Vista Drive
Peace Court	Westbound	Forest Hill Crescent
Glen Castle Drive	Northbound	Forest Hill Crescent

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Glenmurray Court	Westbound	Glen Castle Drive
Glencannon Drive	Westbound	Glen Castle Drive
Glendora Court	Eastbound	Glen Forest Drive
Palmerston Place	Northbound	St. Andrews Drive
Sunbrite Court	Eastbound	Glen Park Court
Jennifer Court	Westbound	St. Andrews Drive
Chardonnay Street	Southbound	Webster Road
Cherryridge Close	Northbound	Cherryridge Close
Calvert Avenue	Westbound	Garland Place
Cavalier Court	Southbound	Nugent Drive
Hounslow Court	Southbound	Kentley Drive
Ilford Court	Southbound	Kentley Drive
Jason Court	Eastbound	Prins Avenue
Dorset Place	Northbound	Edgevale Road
Dungannon Place	Northbound	Monteagle Court
Windstar Place	Westbound	Gilcrest Street
Argon Court	Westbound	Glenhaven Drive
Lantana Court	Southbound	Cranbrook Drive
Sonesto Court	Northbound	Trevi Road
Mirella Court	Westbound	Christopher Drive
Seagram Place	Southbound	Nova Drive
Lambert Street	Southbound	Lesterwood Street
Lambert Street	Northbound	Bellingham Drive
Lisa Court	Eastbound	Lawnhurst Drive

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Irving Place	Southbound	Mulock Avenue
Irving Place	Northbound	Sunning Hill Avenue
Mulock Avenue	Westbound	Rendell Boulevard
Green Meadow Road	Northbound	Sunning Hill Avenue
Nancy Street	Northbound	Sunning Hill Avenue
Quinlan Court	Southbound	Quaker Crescent
Raleigh Court	Northbound	Raleigh Street
Galloway Court	Westbound	Golden Orchard Drive
Granby Court	Northbound	Golden Orchard Drive
Starling Drive	Northbound	Bobolink Road
Starling Drive	Westbound	Hummingbird Lane
Beach Road	Eastbound and Westbound	Birmingham Street

And by adding to Section "F" (Stoney Creek) thereof the following items, namely;

Calvert Avenue	Eastbound	Alpine Avenue
Kingswood Drive	Northbound	Ashwood Court
Vivian Street	Southbound	Glenview Drive
Burwell Avenue	Eastbound	Canterbury Avenue
Canterbury Avenue	Northbound	Dale Avenue
Wyngate Court	Eastbound	Wyngate Avenue
Wyngate Avenue	Southbound	Alba Street
Battlefield Drive	Southbound	Alba Street
Lakeside Drive	Eastbound	Jones Road
James Place	Northbound	James Avenue

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Faircourt Place	Southbound	Faircourt Drive
Ada Court	Westbound	Ainsworth Street
Lyngate Court	Northbound	Gerald Crescent
Dolman Street	Northbound	Isidore Place
Slinger Crescent	Northbound	Slinger Avenue
Byron Avenue	Eastbound	Aubrey Avenue
Redwood Court	Southbound	Teak Street
Vanderwood Court	Southbound	Teak Street
Lindsay Court	Northbound	Oakridge Drive
Southmeadow Crescent	Southbound	Pine Drive
Southmeadow Court	Southbound	Maple Drive
Pecan Court	Southbound	Salina Place
Seville Court	Northbound	Midway Street
Vega Crescent	Eastbound	Morello Place
Greening Avenue	Eastbound	Juniper Drive
Eastbury Drive (east intersection)	Northbound	Basswood Court
Glenholme Avenue	Westbound	Bel-Air Avenue
Helena Avenue	Westbound	Rosepark Avenue
Cherrywood Drive	Eastbound	Piott Court
Berkley Place	Northbound	Terrace Drive
Gemma Court	Westbound	Mountain Avenue North
First Street North	Northbound	Galbraith Drive
Galbraith Drive	Northbound/Southbound	Avalon Avenue
Brandow Court	Westbound	Second Street North

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Grande Avenue	Northbound	Pleasant Avenue
Grande Avenue	Southbound	Orlanda Road
Alpine Avenue	Southbound	Orlanda Road
Bayonne Drive	Westbound	Picardy Drive
Talence Drive	Westbound	Picardy Drive
Chaumont Drive	Northbound	Lormont Boulevard

3. Subject to the amendments made in this By-law, in all other respects, By-law No. 01-215, including all Schedules thereto, as amended, is hereby confirmed unchanged.
4. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

Authority: Item 14, Committee of the Whole
 Report 01-003 (FCS01007)
 CM: February 6, 2001
 Wards: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13,
 14, 15

Bill No. 132

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

**To Amend By-law No. 01-218, as amended,
 Being a By-law To Regulate On-Street Parking**

WHEREAS Section 11(1)1 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25*, as amended, confers upon the councils of all municipalities the power to enact by-laws for regulating parking and traffic on highways subject to the *Highway Traffic Act*,

AND WHEREAS on the 18th day of September, 2001, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacted By-law No. 01-218 to regulate on-street parking;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law No. 01-218, as amended.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 01-218, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding/deleting to/from the identified Schedules and Sections noted in the table below as follows:

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Duration	Times	Days	Adding/ Deleting
6 – Time Limit	E	Chipman Ave.	North & South	Upper James St. to Jeremy St.	1 hr	8 am - 4 pm	Mon - Fri	Adding

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
8 - No Parking	E	Appleblossom Dr.	East	26m south of Moonbeam Dr. to 7.5m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Appleblossom Dr.	West	7.5m south of Chester Av. to 6.5 south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Bendamere Av.	South	40m east of Garth St. to 6m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	F	Blue Mountain Dr.	North & East	165m south of Pinehill Dr. to 34m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Brigadoon Dr.	North & West	70m west of Appleseed Pl. to 24m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Brock Rd.	Both	Harvest Rd. to Highway 8	Anytime	Adding

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8 - No Parking	C	Brock Rd.	East	Harvest Rd. to 152.4m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
8 - No Parking	E	Catharine St. N	West	63m south of Barton St. E to 13m south thereof	8 am - 12pm Wednesday	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Chesley St.	South	26m east of Appleblossom Dr. to 6.5m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Clinton	North	From 198 ft. west of Lottridge to 111 ft. westerly	7 am - 6 pm Mon - Sat	Deleting
8 - No Parking	E	Duncairn Cres.	West	170m east and north of Holimont Court to 6.5m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Duncairn Cres.	East	41m south of Heatherdale Pl. to 6m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	East 42nd St.	West	22.5m north of Brucedale Ave. to 5.5m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	G	Fairleigh Ave. N	West	12.5m north of King St. to 6m north thereof	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Fiona Cres.	South	20m east of Piper Pl. to 6m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Golden Orchard Dr.	North	129m east of Granby Crt. to 6m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Golden Orchard Dr.	South	44m east of Galloway Crt. to 7m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Greendale Dr.	East	35m north of Garrow Dr. to 6m norther thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Harvest Crt.	All	All of cul-de-sac	Anytime	Deleting
8 - No Parking	C	Harvest Ct.	West	51m south of Harvest Rd. to 30m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Harvest Ct.	East	51m south of Harvest Rd. to 50m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Harvest Rd.	Both	Ofield Rd. to 340m east erly	Anytime	Deleting
8 - No Parking	A	Heming Tr.	West & North	69m south of Callon Dr. to 24m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Highway 8	South	Park Av. To Mountain View Rd.	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	G	James St. N	East	32.1m north of Barton St. E to 5.6m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	McPhail Pl.	North	42m east and north of Prudham Cr. to 4m west thereof	Anytime	Adding

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8 - No Parking	E	Medici Ln.	South & East	168m west of Davinci Bl. (northerly intersection) to 21m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Medici Ln.	North & East	168m west of Davinci Bl. (southerly intersection) to 30m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	National Dr.	North	Chert Ave. to Greenhill Ave.	Anytime	Deleting
8 - No Parking	E	Randolf Ct.	North & West	83m east of Southpark Ave. to 22m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	C	Skinner Rd.	South	Burke St. to Agro St.	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Springvalley Cres.	South	36m west of St. Anthony Pl. to 6m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Springvalley Cres.	East	24.5m north of Brigadoon Dr. to 6.5m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Waterberry Tr.	West	16m south of Springvalley Cres. To 7m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	Waterberry Tr.	West	29m south of Brigadoon Dr. to 6m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	F	Whitefish Cr.	West & South	44m north of North Service Rd. to 24m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
8 - No Parking	E	York	Both	Dundurn St. to north limits of Old City of Hamilton except in sight seeing bays	Anytime	Deleting
8 - No Parking	E	York Bl.	West	862m south of Old Guelph to 59.7m south thereof, in lay-by	9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.	Adding

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Albany Ave.	South	53m east of Harmony Ave. to 5.2m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Arthur	West	from 8.8m south of Acorn to 6.7m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Arthur	East	from 6.2m south of the extended south curb line of Acorn to 6.7m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Burton St.	South	34m west of Douglas Avenue to 5.2m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Cambridge	South	from a point 144 feet west of Robins to a point 23 feet westerly therefrom	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Century St.	North	42m west of Wentworth St. to 5.4m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Century St.	South	35m west of Wentworth St. to 6.4m west thereof	Anytime	Adding

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12 - Permit	E	Crosthwaite Av. N	West	28m south of Roxborough Ave. to 6m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	East 21st St.	West	105m north of Crockett St. to 6m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Guise St. E.	South	Hughson St. to John St.	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Kensington	East	from 38.4m south of Campbell to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Magill St.	West	69m south of York Blvd. to 6m northerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Martimas Ave.	East	38.5m south of Grenfell St. to 5.5m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Martimas Ave.	West	64m south of Grenfell St. to 5.5m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Martimas Ave.	West	38m south of Grenfell St. to 6m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Martimas Ave.	East	60m south of Grenfell St. to 7m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	McAnulty	South	from 3.5m east of the extended west curb line of Stapleton to 10.7m easterly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	McAnulty Blvd.	South	from 3.5m east of the extended west curb line of Stapleton Av. to 5.5m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Monterey Ave.	North	12m west of Rodgers Rd. to 6m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Napier	South	commencing at a point 236 feet east of Queen to Hess	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Napier St.	South	Hess Street North to 66.5m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Oxford St.	West	46m north of York Blvd. to 6m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Paling	East	From 42.6m south of Vansitmart to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Picton	North	from 27.2m east of MacNab to 6.4m easterly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Severn St.	East	70m south of Colbourne St. to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Severn St.	West	65m south of Colbourne St. to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Sherman Ave. N	West	2.5m north of Somerset Ave. to 6m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Steven St.	West	76m north of King William St. to 6m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Steven St.	East	54m north of King William St. to 9m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Stirton	East	from 67.3m south of Wilson to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	Stirton St.	West	from 82.9m south of Barton St. to 5.9m southerly	Anytime	Deleting

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12 - Permit	E	Tragina Ave. N	West	21m south of Vansitmart Ave. to 6m south thereof	Anytime	Adding
12 - Permit	E	Vansitmart Ave.	North	66m east of Kenilworth Ave. to 6m easterly	Anytime	Deleting
12 - Permit	E	William	West	from 117.7m north of Barton to 5.4m northerly	Anytime	Deleting

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
13 - No Stopping	C	Brock Rd.	Both	Highway 5 to Harvest Rd.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	E	Harvest Rd.	North	Tews Ln. to 195m westerly	Anytime	Deleting
13 - No Stopping	E	Harvest Rd.	North	95m west of Tews Ln. to 100m westerly	Anytime	Deleting
13 - No Stopping	C	Harvest Rd.	Both	Sydenham Road to 195m west of Tews Ln.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	F	Highland	South	Highbury to 54.8m easterly	Anytime	Deleting
13 - No Stopping	F	Highland Rd. W.	South	Highbury Dr. to 50m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	C	Highway 8	North	Brock Rd. to 87m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	C	Highway 8	North	Mountain View Rd. to 158m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	C	Highway 8	South	Brock Rd. to Park Av.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	Livingstone Dr.	North	Sydenham Rd. to 82.5m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	Livingstone Dr.	South	Sydenham Rd. to 35m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	Livingstone Dr.	North	134.5m west of Sydenham Rd. to 14.3m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	Livingstone Dr.	South	Woodlawn Ct. to 94.5m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	Sydenham Rd.	North	250m north of Livingstone Drive to 27m west thereof	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	E	York	West	From 20m south of Valley Inn to 25m southerly, in lay-by	9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.	Deleting
13 - No Stopping	E	York	East	From 16.5m north of Valley Inn to 43.5m northerly, in lay-by	9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.	Deleting
13 - No Stopping	E	York Bl.	West	Dundurn St. to 921m south of Old Guelph Rd.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	E	York Bl.	West	862m south of Old Guelph Rd. to 232m south of Old Guelph Rd.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	E	York Bl.	Both	169m south of Old Guelph Rd. to 137m south of the	Anytime	Adding

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north city limits

13 - No Stopping	E	York Bl.	East	Dundurn St. to 232m south of Old Guelph Rd.	Anytime	Adding
13 - No Stopping	B	York Bl.	Both	North city limits to 137m south thereof	Anytime	Adding

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Cannon St.	North	68m east of Robins Av. to 7m east thereof	Anytime	Adding
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Craigroyston	West	from 57.8m south of Main to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Kensington Ave. N	West	13m north of Campbell Ave. to 10m northerly	8:00 am - 10:00 am & 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Mon-Fri	Deleting
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Kensington Ave. N	West	13m north of Campbell Ave. to 10m north thereof	Anytime	Adding
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Tragina Ave.	East	43m south of Vansitmart Ave to 6m southerly	Anytime	Deleting
14 - Wheelchair LZ	E	Wood	North	from 12.1m west of Mary to 6.5m westerly	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	Deleting

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
15 - Comm Veh LZ	E	James	East	from 32.1m north of Barton to 5.6m northerly	Anytime	Deleting

Schedule	Section	Highway	Side	Location	Times	Adding/ Deleting
20 - School Bus LZ	E	Arkledun Ave	North	12m east of Kingsway Dr. to 25m easterly	7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	Deleting
20 - School Bus LZ	E	Arkledun Ave.	North	12m east of Kingsway Dr. to 25m east thereof	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	Adding

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Deleting

23 - Special Enf. Area	B	Harvest Rd.	Both	Brock Rd. to 310m east of Offield Rd.	March 15 - November 15	Deleting
23 - Special Enf. Area	C	Harvest Rd.	Both	Brock Rd. to 100m west of Sydenham Rd.	March 15 - November 15	Adding
23 - Special Enf. Area	C	Mill St. S	Both	70m south of Griffin St. to Mountain Brow Rd.	March 15 - November 15	Adding

2. Subject to the amendments made in this By-law, in all other respects, By-law No. 01-218, including all Schedules thereto, as amended, is hereby confirmed unchanged.
3. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F.
Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

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CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

Respecting Removal of Part Lot Control

Part of Lots 5, 6, 8 to 26, 28, 31, 50, 52 to 54 and 67, Registered Plan No. 62M-1252

WHEREAS the sub-section 50(5) of the *Planning Act*, (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended, establishes part-lot control on land within registered plans of subdivision;

AND WHEREAS sub-section 50(7) of the *Planning Act*, provides as follows:

“(7) **Designation of lands not subject to part lot control.** -- Despite subsection (5), the council of a local municipality may by by-law provide that subsection (5) does not apply to land that is within such registered plan or plans of subdivision or parts of them as are designated in the by-law.”

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Hamilton is desirous of enacting such a by-law with respect to the lands hereinafter described;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Sub-section 5 of Section 50 of the *Planning Act*, for the purpose of creating thirty-five (35) maintenance easements, shown as Parts 4 to 28, inclusive, Parts 30, 31, 39 to 44, inclusive, Parts 55 and 56, on deposited Reference Plan 62R-20913, shall not apply to the portion of the registered plan of subdivision that is designated as follows, namely:

Part of Lots 5, 6, 8 to 26, 28, 31, 50, 52 to 54 and 67, on Registered Plan No. 62M-1252, in the City of Hamilton

2. This by-law shall be registered on title to the said designated land and shall come into force and effect on the date of such registration.
3. This by-law shall expire and cease to be of any force or effect on the 24th day of June, 2022.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

Authority: Item 31, Economic Development and
Planning Committee
Report 06-005
CM: April 12, 2006
Ward: 12

Bill No. 134

**CITY OF HAMILTON
BY-LAW NO. 20 -**

**To Amend Zoning By-law No. 87-57 (Ancaster), respecting
lands located at 295 Hamilton Drive, in the former Town of
Ancaster**

WHEREAS the *City of Hamilton Act, 1999*, Statutes of Ontario, 1999 Chap. 14, Sch. C. did incorporate, as of January 1, 2001, the municipality “City of Hamilton”;

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton is the successor to certain area municipalities, including the former area municipality known as the “The Corporation of the Town of Ancaster” and is the successor to the former Regional Municipality, namely, “The Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth”;

WHEREAS the *City of Hamilton Act, 1999*, provides that the Zoning By-laws of the former area municipalities continue in force in the City of Hamilton until subsequently amended or repealed by the Council of the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS Zoning By-law No. 87-57 (Ancaster) was enacted on the 22nd day of June 1987, and approved by the Ontario Municipal Board on the 23rd day of January, 1989;

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Hamilton, in adopting Section 31 of Report 06-005 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee at its meeting held on the 12th day of April, 2006, recommended that the Director of Development and Real Estate be authorized to give notice and prepare by-laws for presentation to Council, to remove the “H” Holding provision from By-laws where the conditions have been met; and

WHEREAS this By-law is in conformity with the Urban Hamilton Official Plan

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That Map No. 1-B to Schedule B, appended to and forming part of By-law No. 87-57 (Ancaster), is amended as follows: by changing the zoning from Holding Residential “H- R4-446” Zone, Modified, to Residential “R4-446” Zone, Modified, on the lands the

extent and boundaries of which are shown on a plan hereto annexed as Schedule
“A”.

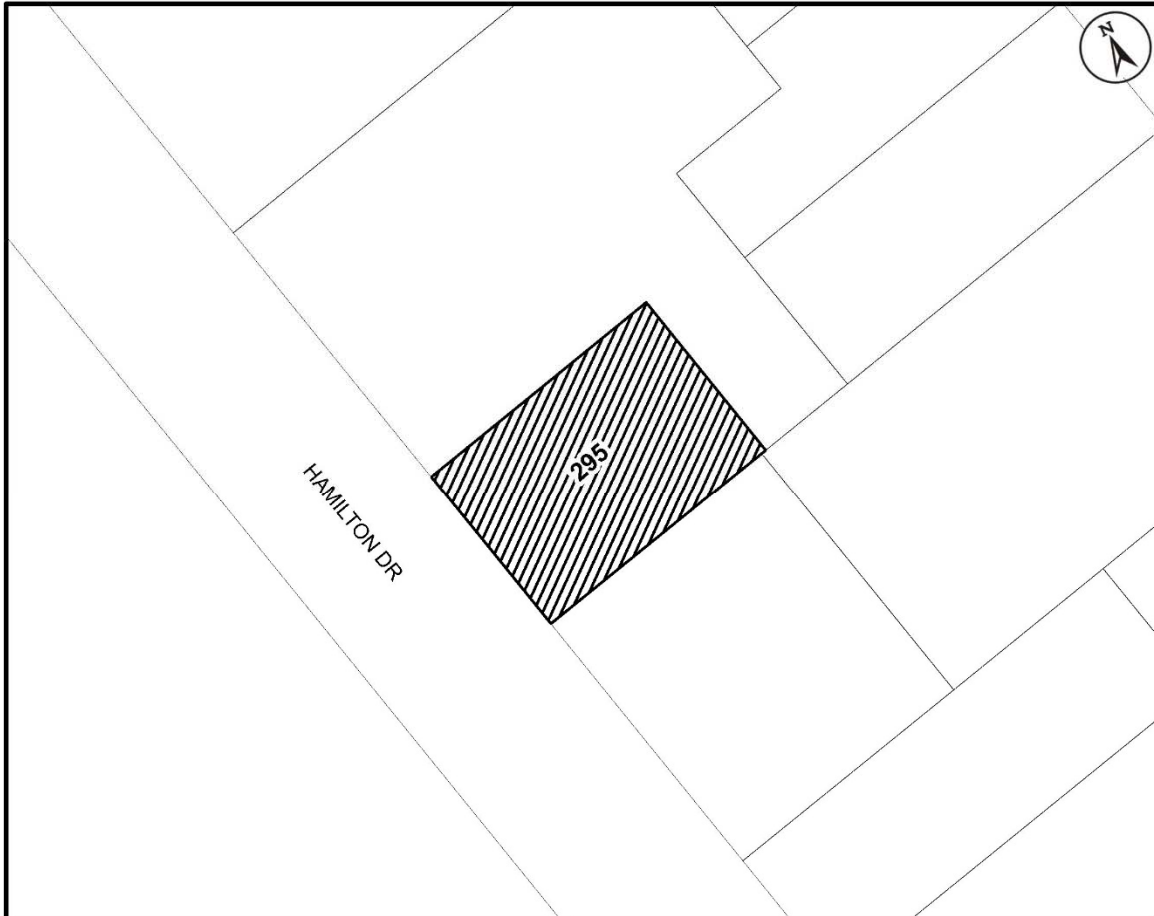
2. That no building or structure shall be erected, altered, extended, or enlarged, nor shall any building or structure or part thereof be used, nor shall any land be used, except in accordance with the Residential “R4-446” Zone, Modified provisions applicable to the lands shown on the hereto annexed Schedule “A”.
3. That the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with the giving of notice of passing of this By-law, in accordance with the Planning Act.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk

ZAH-19-051



This is Schedule "A" to By-law No. 20- Passed the day of, 2020	----- <p style="text-align: center;">Mayor</p> ----- <p style="text-align: center;">Clerk</p> -----
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<h2 style="margin: 0;">Schedule "A"</h2> <p style="margin: 10px 0 0 0;">Map forming Part of By-law No. 20-_____</p> <p style="margin: 10px 0 0 0;">to Amend By-law No. 87-57</p>	<p>Subject Property</p> <p> 295 Hamilton Drive, Ancaster</p> <p>Change in Zoning from the Holding -Residential "H-R4-446" Zone, Modified to the Residential "R4-446" Zone, Modified</p>
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Scale: N.T.S	File Name/Number: ZAH-19-051	
Date: June 15, 2020	Planner/Technician: MF/VS	
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT		

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-

To Confirm the Proceedings of City Council at its meeting held on June 24th, 2020.

**THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF HAMILTON
ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Action of City Council at its meeting held on the 24th day of June, 2020, in respect of each recommendation contained in

Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery Report 20-001 – June 4, 2020,
General Issues Committee Report 20-009 – June 15, 2020,
Planning Committee Report 20-005 – June 15, 2020,
Board of Health Report 20-003 – June 16, 2020,
Audit, Finance & Administration Committee Report 20-004 – June 18, 2020,
and,
Emergency & Community Services Committee Report 20-003 – June 19, 2020

considered by City of Hamilton Council at the said meeting, and in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the City Council at its said meeting is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.

2. The Mayor of the City of Hamilton and the proper officials of the City of Hamilton are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required, and except where otherwise provided, the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the Corporate Seal of the Corporation to all such documents.

PASSED this 24th day of June, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk