



City of Hamilton

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REVISED

Meeting #: 21-009
Date: September 9, 2021
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall (CC)

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1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. July 8, 2021

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1. Robin McKee, Sir John A. Macdonald Society, regarding petition not to remove the statue of Sir John A. Macdonald from Gore Park

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1. Linda Maloney, respecting statue of Sir John A. Macdonald (for a future meeting)

- 6.2. Tom Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting recent community forums related to extreme heat in Hamilton (for a future meeting)
- 6.3. Stephane Cox and Sharon Crowe, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic, regarding revocation of the Encampment Protocol (for today's meeting)
- 6.4. Dr. Jill Wiwcharuk, Hamilton Social Medicine Response Team, regarding encampments (for today's meeting)
- 6.5. Marcie McIleen, Keeping Six, respecting encampments (for today's meeting)

7. CONSENT ITEMS

- 7.1. Automatic Mechanical Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Devices (HSC21028) (City Wide)
- 7.2. Single-Source Paramedic Service Linen Supply (HSC21029) (City Wide)
- 7.3. Purchase of New Stair Chair Conveyance Equipment (HSC21030) (City Wide)

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

- 8.1. Harmonizing Eligibility Requirements for Subsidy Programs (HSC21026) (City Wide)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 10.1. Service Manager Consents for CityHousing Hamilton's Development Reset (HSC20055(a)) (Wards 2 and 4) (Outstanding Business List Item)
- 10.2. Replacement for the Ontario Works Scheduler (HSC21022) (City Wide)
- *10.3. Municipal Affairs and Housing Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 and Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (HSC20036(b)) (City Wide)
- *10.4. Encampment Response Update (PED21188/HSC20038(c)) (City Wide)

11. MOTIONS

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

- *12.1. Youth Violent Crimes

13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

13.1. Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

13.1.a. Items Considered Complete and to be Removed

13.1.a.a. Service Manager Consents for CityHousing Hamilton
Development Reset

Item on OBL: 20-I

Addressed as Item 10.1 on today's agenda

14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

15. ADJOURNMENT



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-008

1:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 8, 2021

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors N. Nann (Chair), B. Clark, T. Jackson, S. Merulla, and E. Pauls

Regrets: T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Residential Care Facility (RCF) Liaison Report 4th Quarter Update (HSC20040(c)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(Clark/Jackson)

That Report HSC20040(c), respecting Residential Care Facility (RCF) Liaison Report 4th Quarter Update (City Wide), be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Ninder Nann

YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla

YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson

YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls

YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

2. Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund Sub-Committee Report 21-001 - June 22, 2021 (Item 7.2)

(Pauls/Jackson)

(i) Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund – Financial Status 2021 (HSC21020) (Ward 13)

That the total funds payable from the settlement of the Wentworth Lodge Guaranteed Investment Certificates (GIC) portfolio in the amount of \$287,977, be reinvested in a GIC portfolio under similar terms as previously at one, two, three, four and five years.

(ii) Wentworth Lodge – Enhancements to the Courtyards - 2021 (HSC21021) (Ward 13)

That Report HSC21021, respecting Wentworth Lodge – Enhancements to the Courtyards - 2021 (HSC21021) (Ward 13), be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

3. City of Hamilton Landmarks and Monuments Review (HSC21025/PED21149/PW21038) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)

(Jackson/Merulla)

- (a) That staff undertake a Historical Review of City of Hamilton owned landmarks, including park and street names, to determine opportunities to honour the Indigenous community in accordance with the Urban Indigenous Strategy action item #12 and to contribute to the City of Hamilton's journey towards meaningful Reconciliation;
- (b) That the estimated project budget at an upset limit of \$75,000 to complete the initial historical landmarks review and facilitate the community consultation process, be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046);
- (c) That the single source procurement to Nation FPG Inc., operating as First Peoples Group, pursuant to Procurement Policy 11 – Non-competitive Procurements, for the consultancy work to complete the historical landmarks review and community consultation be approved; and,
- (d) That staff report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee with next steps and recommendations following the completion of the Historical Review process.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla

YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

4. Residential Care Facilities (RCF) Liaison Pilot Project - Six Month Extension to December 31, 2021 (HSC21027) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)

(Pauls/Merulla)

That the temporary Residential Care Facilities (RCF) Liaison position, approved under a Notice of Motion at the Emergency and Community Services meeting of June 19, 2020, be extended to December 31, 2021 to allow for the completion of an internal RCF program review.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

5. Golden Horseshoe and Farming Alliance: Serving Up Local II: An Economic Analysis Research Project in Long Term Care (HSC21031) (Ward 7 and Ward 13) (Added Item 10.3)

(Jackson/Clark)

- (a) That Macassa Lodge and Wentworth Lodge participate in an Economic Analysis Research Project Serving Up Local II with the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance (GHFFA) and the University of Guelph to determine the economic impact of offering local food in facilities to improve the nutritional health and well-being of residents; and,
- (b) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate, be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute any contract and any ancillary documents required in relation to the research project "Serving Up Local II: An Economic Analysis Research Project in Long Term Care" as further described in this report, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

6. Removal of the Name Ryerson from the Recreation Centre at 251 Duke Street, Hamilton (Ward 1) (Item 11.2)

(Clark/Merulla)

That the following motion, be referred to the Facility Naming Sub-Committee for consideration:

WHEREAS the May 2006 Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement saw parties to the Agreement, including Canada and the churches responsible for the operations of the schools, formally acknowledge that “Canada and certain religious organizations operated Indian Residential Schools for the education of aboriginal children and certain harms and abuses were committed against those children”;

WHEREAS on June 11, 2008 then Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper issued a formal Statement of Apology on behalf of Canada to students of Indian residential schools, their families, and communities;

WHEREAS the 2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) concluded that Residential Schools were “a systematic, government-sponsored attempt to destroy Aboriginal cultures and languages and to assimilate Aboriginal peoples so that they no longer existed as distinct peoples.” The TRC characterized this intent as “cultural genocide”;

WHEREAS Egerton Ryerson held the position of Chief Superintendent of Education in Upper Canada from 1844 to 1876;

WHEREAS Egerton Ryerson advocated for the creation of the residential school system for Indigenous children when asked by the Department of Indian Affairs for his suggestions on “Industrial Schools for the benefit of the aboriginal Indian tribes”;

WHEREAS in this report Ryerson stated that for Indigenous Peoples “nothing can be done to improve and elevate his character and condition without the aid of religious feeling. This information must be superadded to all others to make the Indian a sober and industrious man”;

WHEREAS Ryerson reasoned that White and Indigenous children required different education because “It is a fact established by numerous experiments, that the North American Indian cannot be civilized or preserved in a state of civilization (including habits of industry and sobriety) except in connection with, if not by the influence of, not only religious instruction and sentiment but of religious feelings”;

WHEREAS Ryerson's report formed the blueprint of what would become the Indian Residential School System, including his recommendations that it be administered by religious institutions and that the majority of the children's time would be spent in labour rather than instruction;

WHEREAS authorities would frequently take children to schools far from their home communities as part of a strategy to alienate them from their families, language, culture and familiar surroundings;

WHEREAS abuse at the schools was widespread: emotional and psychological abuse was constant, physical abuse was meted out as punishment, and sexual abuse was also common. Survivors recall being beaten and strapped; some students were shackled to their beds; some had needles shoved in their tongues for speaking their native languages;

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission final report provided conservative estimates that between 4,000 and 6,000 children died in the residential schools, causes of death including physical abuse, malnutrition, disease, neglect, suicide, or trying to escape;

WHEREAS the last of Canada's residential schools closed in 1996, impacting several generations of Indigenous Peoples who share in the intergenerational effects of transmitted personal trauma and loss of language, culture, traditional teachings, and mental/spiritual wellbeing;

WHEREAS in addition to his role in the establishment of Residential Schools, Ryerson opposed the education of girls beyond elementary school, and supported racially segregated education, drafting legislation allowing for the creation of racially segregated schools that lasted in Ontario until 1965;

WHEREAS the city of Hamilton owns and operates a recreation centre that is adjoined to a public elementary school sharing the name Ryerson;

WHEREAS the city of Hamilton formally states that it is committed to creating and nurturing a city that is welcoming and inclusive where equity seeking communities will feel safe, supported and have an enhanced sense of belonging;

WHEREAS keeping the name Ryerson on the municipal recreation centre is inconsistent with the values set out in the city's vision and strategic priorities; and

WHEREAS at the June 6, 2021 meeting of the HWDSB the following motion was unanimously passed: "That In the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, that an Indigenous process that is both locally relevant and responsive be struck to rename Ryerson Elementary school, through

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ethical engagement and in consultation with local Indigenous communities and key beneficiaries and stakeholders.”

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton take all necessary steps, administrative and physical, to immediately remove the name Ryerson from the municipal recreation centre located at 251 Duke Street, Hamilton, Ontario;
- (b) That the City of Hamilton work in tandem with the HWDSB in the renaming of the elementary school/municipal recreation centre;
- (c) That the recommended name be submitted to the City's Facility Naming Sub-Committee for review and approval;
- (d) That the City's Tax Stabilization Reserve be used to fund this action; and
- (e) 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.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 1, as follows:

NO - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1. Correspondence respecting Sir John A. Macdonald Statue

(wk) Janeil van Strien
 (wl) Richard Wesley
 (wm) Deidre Hall
 (wn) Tom Shea
 (wo) Noor Nizam
 (wp) Elizabeth Grebetsadik
 (wq) Deann McGlinchey

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(wr) Michelle Yanes
(ws) Lana Tancredi
(wt) Michelle Heugh-Joseph
(wu) Sean Buchner
(wv) Donna Akrey
(ww) Tanis McArthur
(wx) Hamilton Centre Federal NDP Riding Association
(wy) Katherine Walker-Jones
(wz) Jordan Therkildsen
(xa) Nicholas Silva
(xb) Tara Giles
(xc) Natalie Ethier
(xd) Sarah Rogers
(xe) Rome Miralso
(xf) Jay Sibayan
(xg) Leigh Taylor
(xh) Olivia McCormick
(xi) Eva Graves
(xj) Neisha Ashley
(xk) Alisha Khan
(xl) Louise Murray-Leung
(xm) Nadine Wettlaufer
(xn) Danielle Mather
(xo) Fani Smoljanovic
(xp) Lisa Peart
(xq) Chris Palmer
(xr) Chantelle Pealey
(xs) Emma Borselino
(xt) Casey Myers
(xu) Janice Vis-Gitzel
(xv) Nick de Koning
(xw) Jaime Jewer
(xx) Trish Cooke
(xy) Fraser Malcolm
(xz) Nick VanAmstel
(ya) Simon Peng
(yb) Martin Brown
(yc) Martin Ajayi
(yd) Peter Vander Klippe
(ye) Jeanette Eby
(yf) Kim Selman
(yg) Brittany Medeiros
(yh) Erin Yusek
(yi) Elle Morgan
(yj) Riley Wignall
(yk) Mike Norman
(yl) Ishaan Selby
(ym) Kelly Craigen

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(yn) Nina Clements
(yo) Faye Thomas
(yp) Moe Bsar
(yq) Jenny Vasques
(yr) Kristen Gulle
(ys) Alex Wilson
(yt) Jaimie Nicole Rizzo
(yu) Shirleen Datt
(yv) Amanda Conway
(yw) Michelle Fanning
(yx) Kristen McMinn
(yy) Andrea Phair
(yz) Tabitha Sayegh
(za) Ian Fox
(zb) Christopher Barclay
(zc) Anne Dwyer
(zd) Susan Wortman
(ze) James Quinn
(zf) Angela Di Nello
(zg) Elizabeth Andrykew
(zh) Tim Jones
(zi) Nimal Agalawatte
(zj) Meredith Blackmore
(zk) Andrew Buszchak
(zl) Em Noordam
(zm) Frances Hahn
(zn) Emmali Branton
(zo) Mirhella Cottone
(zp) Nageeb Twal
(zq) Alexandra Henderson
(zr) Jesselyn Jade
(zs) Sam Harris
(zt) Marina Gandzi
(zu) Sarah Bayliss
(zv) Cora Lynn Oliver
(zw) Stephanie Lines-Toohill
(zx) Julia Duguid
(zy) Morgan Wedderspoon
(zz) Danielle McKay
(aaa) Brodi Gardiner
(aab) Andrew Kirkconnell
(aac) Odina Gonzales
(aad) Olivia Simpson
(aae) Maddison Schreiber
(aaf) Mariel Rutherford
(aag) Q Hanna
(aah) Robinson Inkster
(aai) Victoria Collins

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(aaj) Steph Manica
(aak) Emily Rourke
(aal) Valerie Wettlaufer
(aam) Tiffany Silversmith
(aan) Trina Hetherington
(aao) Tess Visser
(aap) Megarrah Buxton
(aaq) Addison Brash
(aar) Alisa Blanchard
(aas) Robin Lacambra
(aat) Richard Burnett
(aau) Kimberly Donaldson
(aav) Ian Bunton
(aaw) Stephanie Glancy
(aax) Monique Thornton
(aay) Katarina Paré
(aaz) Kristen Bradbury
(aba) Maiko Brown-Kai
(abc) Zachary Thompson
(abd) Maschal Khan
(abe) Chris Moors
(abf) Jessica Sterling
(abg) Lisa-marie Sterling
(abh) Tracy Mewhort-Buist
(abi) Mara Dangelo
(abj) Meghan Graham
(abk) Gregor Hemon
(abl) Mara D
(abm) Lisa Rostoks
(abn) Katy Santandrea
(abo) Natalie Lisinska
(abp) Kamela Mulder
(abq) Zach Jacobs-Blum
(abr) Anthony Borselino
(abs) Elisa Grunwald
(abt) Laura Scott
(abu) Lauren Campbell
(abv) Stephanie Cox
(abw) Kyla Perna
(abx) Harlee Mackenzie
(aby) Lauren Gimblett
(abz) Iris Langlois
(aca) Elleah Mudjar
(acb) Chris Gusen
(acc) Phoebe Taylor
(acd) Barry Conway
(ace) Mitch Ross
(acf) Katherine McLean

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(acg) Selby Harris
(ach) Danielle Hitchcock-Welsh
(aci) Kevin Burke
(acj) Danica Evering
(ack) Claudia Leduc
(acl) Abby Adjekum
(acm) Spencer Kinchlea
(acn) Simpne D'Angelo
(aco) Kieran Croy
(acp) Katie Sullivan
(acq) Melissa Dowdall
(acr) Nera Topcagic
(acs) Kristian Ferreira
(act) Holly Di Prospero
(acu) Laurel Carter
(acv) Abigail White
(acw) Joanna Aitcheson
(acx) Storme Nelan
(acy) James Nelan
(acz) Ashley Wilson
(ada) Kate Shoreman
(adb) Siobhan McAvoy
(adc) Kate Reeds
(add) Robin McGill
(ade) Annie Horton
(adf) Chris Rigby
(adg) Jessican Burrell
(adh) Stephanie Perron
(adi) Mara Schooley
(adj) Emily Rodger
(adk) Margaret Flood
(adl) Sydney Macrae
(adm) Marie Treasa Levasseur
(adn) Andrea Sandhu
(ado) Julia Marchionda
(adp) Stephanie Vasquez
(adq) Erica Preston
(adr) Amanda Achacon
(ads) Kate Stoneman
(adt) Jacob Playfair
(adu) Alicia Wilfort
(adv) Kayleigh Paisley Rush
(adw) Lauren Harnish
(adx) Krista Browne
(ady) Lee Meszaros
(adz) Carina D'Angelo
(aea) Kaci Switzer
(aeb) Samantha Richarz

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(aec) Blake Bristol
(aed) Chantal Huszar
(aee) Julia Apanasowicz
(aef) Eva Clark
(aeg) Matthew Keenan
(aeh) Mae P
(aei) Erin Coffell
(aej) Theresa McPhee
(aek) Roberta Sealy
(ael) Madeleine Luvisa
(aem) Nicole Lepine
(aen) Emmett Rans
(aео) Allison Burda
(aep) Elaine Boileau
(aeq) Ava Muir
(aer) Ariel Pillitteri
(aes) Jaclyn Olano
(aet) Katherine Boothe
(aeu) Alexa Deluca
(aev) Jody Boston
(aew) Candice Barton
(aex) Danielle Plester
(aey) Sofia Labbe
(aez) Ashley Ince
(afa) Jennifer Harasen
(afb) Ashley Weegar
(afc) Deshaun Johnston
(afd) Alicia Anglin
(afe) Phoebe Underhill
(aff) Ned Nolan
(afg) Brie Chauncey
(afh) Shelagh Griffin
(afi) Taylor Greer
(afj) Elizabeth King
(afk) Sierra Paquette Struger
(afl) Nicki Sparks
(afm) Dana Barton
(afn) Jeremy Smith
(afo) Michelle Li
(afp) Samantha Roketta
(afq) Megan Scotland
(afr) Holly Silenzi
(afs) Danielle Couture
(aft) Matthew Bergen
(afu) Sheena Campbell
(afv) Ema Mahb
(afw) Soleil Counsell
(afx) Amanda Kerigan

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(afy) Rachel Nolan
(afz) Cassandra Hamill
(aga) Victoria Marko
(agb) Samantha Butler
(agc) Carly Billings
(agd) Alicia Deverill
(age) Nat D
(agf) Kate Hunter
(agg) Alexandra Richarz
(agh) Judith Charron
(agi) Giorgia Woolfe
(agj) Ella O'Hara
(agk) Giselle Magie
(agl) Elizabeth Simpson
(agm) Joy Mudjar
(agn) Mastawesha Kassa
(ago) Sara Ali
(agp) Shannon Graszat
(agq) Scott Mallon
(agr) Ava H
(ags) Tristan Amor
(agt) Brittany Lauton
(agu) Kelly Brouwer
(agv) Emma McKenna
(agw) Adrienne Connelly
(agx) Vince Soliveri
(agy) Meaghan Makins
(agz) Joe Guaca
(aha) Jordan Carrier
(ahb) Cailey Campbell
(ahc) Kayla Crabtree
(ahd) Heidi Crocini
(ahf) Matthew Crabtree
(ahf) Dave Hamilton
(ahg) Grayling Stevens
(ahh) Danielle Macintosh
(ahi) Emily Patrick
(ahj) Maia De Graff
(ahk) Brenna Inglis
(ahl) Delaney Caulfield
(ahm) Deshawna Charland
(ahn) Rebecca Potter
(aho) Ruby Dawn
(ahp) Mieke Stephenson
(ahq) Sarah Armstrong
(ahr) Sheiya Crocini
(ahs) Jill Stringer
(aht) Lindsey Kosedy

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(ahu) Eric Randhawa
(ahv) Anastasia Brockbank
(ahw) Jean Marchildon
(ahx) Kal Ing
(ahy) Carrie St-Martin
(ahz) Kayla Smith
(aia) Jennifer Roberts
(aib) Jessica Vinluan
(aic) Jennifer Wallace
(aid) Haley Reap
(aie) Amanda Wright
(aif) Alicia Dejong
(aig) Madi Fuller
(aih) Buddy Martin
(aii) Luc Peters
(aij) Helen Benvenga
(aik) Shelley Rempel
(ail) Josh Kemp
(aim) Dan MacIntyre
(ain) Lisa Jeffs
(aio) Robin Miller
(aip) Patricia Burney
(aiq) Ana Olivares
(air) Mary Lou Tanner
(ais) Daniela Igdoura
(ait) Nick Marquis
(aiu) Kayla Whitney
(aiv) Matt Galopoulos
(aiw) Stacey Campanella
(aix) Beth Marquis
(aiy) Claudia Wong
(aiz) Michael Woodward
(aja) Drew Mutton
(ajb) Vanessa Ferry
(ajc) Tara Gregory
(ajd) Thea Jones
(aje) Peigh W
(ajf) Heather Piggott
(ajg) Karen Campbell
(ajh) Janneke Marsman
(aji) Doug Campbell
(ajj) Michael Moniz
(ajk) Doug Rich
(ajl) Elise Copps
(ajm) Angela Doxtator
(ajn) Mark Preston
(ajo) Seema Narula
(ajp) Nadine Kalinauskas

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(ajq) David Brock
(ajr) Mark Best
(ajs) Andria Harvey
(ajt) Sheil Allan
(aju) Cassiopeia Kenner
(ajv) Jessica Bullock
(ajw) Cheryl Frappier
(ajx) Jacqueline Pullar
(ajy) Mike Highfield
(ajz) Scott Henry
(aka) Vanessa Oliver
(akb) Rachel Dubeckyj
(akc) Jonathan Lambert
(akd) Sienna Guiseppe
(ake) Zeina Hassan
(akf) Mike Jerome
(akg) Christopher Arendt
(akh) Dave Parkinson
(aki) Brian Bradley
(akj) Patricia Lambert
(akk) Nicholas Kennedy
(akl) Chris Sanislo
(akm) Emily Bennett
(akn) Adam Palios
(ako) Rae Jewett
(akp) Arianne Di Nardo
(akq) Julie Cudin
(akr) Simona Tosca
(aks) Nicole Robin
(akt) Nancy Silva Khan
(aku) Jasmin Eng
(akv) Jenna Dexter
(akw) Adrienne Clark
(akx) Paige Butler
(aky) Shawn Selway
(akz) Jessica Jane Bill
(ala) Sara Denault
(alb) Maria Rowley
(alc) Bailey Hamilton
(ald) Allison Jack
(ale) Adrian Hodgson
(alf) Mads Clement
(alg) Adan Olivares Castro
(alh) Rabel Mirza
(ali) Michael Oliveira
(alj) Diana Filc
(alk) Sara McLaughlin
(all) Shylo Elmayan

- (alm) Artur Filc
- (aln) Beata Filc

Recommendation: To be received and referred to Item 11.1

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1. Removal of Sir John A. Macdonald Statue (for today's meeting)

- (a) Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion
- (b) Miriam Sager
- (c) Ken Jones (formerly Earle Jones)
- (d) Jason Capobianco
- (e) Gawa-owane Sewatiz
- (f) Robin McKee, Sir John A. Macdonald Society Hamilton
- (g) Christine Joseph-Davies
- (h) Jordan Carrier - Video Delegation
- (i) Steve Bunn
- (j) Tristan Maclaurin
- (k) Mary Love, Extinction Rebellion Hamilton Indigenous Affinity Group

6.2. Rev. Dr. Ian Sloan, New Vision United Church, respecting Removal of Ryerson Name from Recreation Centre at 251 Duke Street, Hamilton (for today's meeting)

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.3. Golden Horseshoe and Farming Alliance: Serving Up Local II: An Economic Analysis Research Project in Long Term Care (HSC21031) (Ward 7 and Ward 13)

(Clark/Merulla)

That the agenda for the July 8, 2021 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- NOT PRESENT - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) June 17, 2021 (Item 4.1)

(Pauls/Clark)

That the Minutes of the June 17, 2021 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Correspondence respecting Sir John A. Macdonald Statue (Item 5.1)

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- (c) Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion
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- (e) Alexandra Weinberger
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(afg) Brie Chauncey
(afh) Shelagh Griffin
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(afk) Sierra Paquette Struger
(afi) Nicki Sparks
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(afz) Cassandra Hamill
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(agf) Kate Hunter
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(agj) Ella O'Hara
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(agv) Emma McKenna
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(agx) Vince Soliveri
(agy) Meaghan Makins
(agz) Joe Guaca
(aha) Jordan Carrier
(ahb) Cailey Campbell
(ahc) Kayla Crabtree
(ahd) Heidi Crocini
(ahf) Matthew Crabtree
(ahf) Dave Hamilton
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(ahh) Danielle Macintosh
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(ahq) Sarah Armstrong
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(ahs) Jill Stringer
(aht) Lindsey Kosedy
(ahu) Eric Randhawa
(ahv) Anastasia Brockbank
(ahw) Jean Marchildon
(ahx) Kal Ing
(ahy) Carrie St-Martin
(ahz) Kayla Smith
(aia) Jennifer Roberts
(aib) Jessica Vinluan
(aic) Jennifer Wallace
(aid) Haley Reap
(aie) Amanda Wright
(aif) Alicia Dejong
(aig) Madi Fuller
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(aii) Luc Peters
(aij) Helen Benvenga
(aik) Shelley Rempel
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(aip) Patricia Burney
(aiq) Ana Olivares
(air) Mary Lou Tanner
(ais) Daniela Igdoura
(ait) Nick Marquis
(aiu) Kayla Whitney
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(aix) Beth Marquis
(aiy) Claudia Wong
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(akq) Julie Cudin
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(aks) Nicole Robin
(akt) Nancy Silva Khan
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(akw) Adrienne Clark
(akx) Paige Butler
(aky) Shawn Selway
(akz) Jessica Jane Bill
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(alc) Bailey Hamilton
(ald) Allison Jack

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- (ale) Adrian Hodgson
- (alf) Mads Clement
- (alg) Adan Olivares Castro
- (alh) Rabel Mirza
- (ali) Michael Oliveira
- (alj) Diana Filc
- (alk) Sara McLaughlin
- (all) Shylo Elmayan
- (alm) Artur Filc
- (aln) Beata Filc

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- NOT PRESENT - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item (f).

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Pauls/Clark)

That the following Delegation Requests, be approved for today's meeting:

- (i) Removal of Sir John A. Macdonald Statue:
 1. Kojo Damperty, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (Added Item 6.1.a)
 2. Miriam Sager (Added Item 6.1.b)
 3. Ken Jones (Added Item 6.1.c)
 4. Jason Capobianco (Added Item 6.1.d)
 5. Gawa-owane Sewatiz (Added Item 6.1.e)
 6. Robin McKee (Added Item 6.1.f)
 7. Christine Joseph-Davies (Added Item 6.1.g)
 8. Jordan Carrier - Video Submission (Added Item 6.1.h)
 9. Steve Bunn (Added Item 6.1.i)
 10. Tristan Maclaurin (Added Item 6.1.j)
 11. Mary Love, Extinction Rebellion Hamilton Indigenous Affinity Group (Added Item 6.1.k)
- (ii) Removal of Ryerson Name from Recreation Centre at 251 Duke Street, Hamilton:
 1. Rev. Dr. Ian Sloan, New Vision United Church (Added Item 6.2):

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)

(Pauls/Jackson)

That the following Delegations, be received as presented:

- (i) Removal of Sir John A. Macdonald Statue
 - 1. Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (Item 9.1.a)
 - 2. Miriam Sager (Item 9.1.b)
 - 3. Ken Jones (Item 9.1.c)
 - 4. Jason Capobianco (Item 9.1.d)
 - 5. Gawa-owane Sewatiz (Item 9.1.e)
 - 6. Robin McKee (Item 9.1.f)
 - 7. Christine Joseph-Davies (Item 9.1.g)
 - 8. Jordan Carrier - Video Submission (Item 9.1.h)
 - 9. Steve Bunn (Item 9.1.i)
 - 10. Tristan Maclaurin (Item 9.1.j)
 - 11. Mary Love, Extinction Rebellion Hamilton Indigenous Affinity Group (Item 9.1.k)

- (ii) Removal of Ryerson Name from Recreation Centre at 251 Duke Street, Hamilton:
 - 1. Rev. Dr. Ian Sloan, New Vision United Church (Item 9.2)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

For disposition of Item (e)(i), please refer to Item (f) and for disposition of Item (e)(ii), please refer to Item 6.

(f) Removal of Sir John A. MacDonald Statue from Gore Park, Hamilton (Item 11.1)

(Nann/Clark)

WHEREAS, in 1879 Sir John A. MacDonald said “When the school is on the reserve, the child lives with its parents, who are savages, and though he may learn to read and write, his habits and training mode of thought are Indian. He is simply a savage who can read and write. It has been strongly impressed upon myself, as head of the Department, that Indian children should be withdrawn as much as possible from the parental influence, and the only way to do that would be to put them in central training industrial schools where they will acquire the habits and modes of thought of white men”;

WHEREAS, the atrocities of the residential school system were described by the 2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) as “a systematic, government- sponsored attempt to destroy [Indigenous] cultures and languages and to assimilate [Indigenous] peoples so that they no longer existed as distinct peoples”;

WHEREAS, Indigenous residents across Hamilton have been in profound grief since the unmarked graves of 215 Indigenous children were confirmed at the Kamloops Residential School, 751 more at Marieval Residential School in Saskatchewan, now exceeding a thousand and counting;

WHEREAS, the Hamilton City Council committed to having “a trusting relationship with Indigenous communities where we communicate and work together appropriately to address the unique needs and issues of Indigenous people” through the adoption of the Urban Indigenous Strategy in July 2019 and the endorsement of the Urban Indigenous Strategy Implementation Plan on February 4, 2021;

WHEREAS, in adopting Urban Indigenous Strategy, Hamilton City Council committed to act in alignment with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations;

WHEREAS, Hamilton is falling behind the example set by other city councils, in Ontario and nationwide, starting in 2018, that have already removed statues of Sir John A. MacDonald from public spaces, including Victoria, Wilmont, Regina, Charlottetown, Picton and Kingston;

WHEREAS, over 17,000 people identify as Indigenous in the City of Hamilton;
and

WHEREAS, over several years, survivors of residential schools, Indigenous elders and families, members of the Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee, participants of the Urban Indigenous Strategy consultations, and hundreds more in the form of public demonstrations have clearly communicated to the City of Hamilton about the need to remove the Sir John A. MacDonald statue from Gore Park in order to facilitate healing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to immediately remove the statue of Sir John A. MacDonald from City of Hamilton owned lands known as Gore Park and place it in storage; until the Landmarks and Monuments Review has been conducted; and
- (b) That the cost for removal and storage be covered through the Tax Stabilization Reserve Account.

Result: Motion DEFEATED by a vote of 2 to 3, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
 NO - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 NO - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 NO - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

(Jackson/Pauls)

That the following amendment to the Emergency and Community Services Outstanding Business List, be approved:

- (a) Items Requiring a New Due Date
 - 1. Service Manager Consents for CityHousing Hamilton's Development Reset
 - Item on OBL: 20-I
 - Due Date: June 3, 2021
 - Proposed New Due Date: August 12, 2021

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
 YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
 YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
 YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

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(Clark/Merulla)

That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
NOT PRESENT - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor N. Nann
Chair, Emergency and Community Services
Committee

Tamara Bates
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk

Petition to the City of Hamilton Council

*FIRST
STARTED ON...*

Date: Canada Day

Petition Organiser: The
Sir John A. Macdonald
Society and the
citizens of Hamilton.

We, the undersigned, petition Council to **NOT** remove the Sir John A. Macdonald statue from Gore Park.

Name	Address	Signature
ROBIN MCKEE		<i>Robin McKee</i>
Sve NOORDYK		<i>S. Noordyk</i>
Phyllis Missett		<i>P. Missett</i>
ADVICE GRAHAM		<i>J. Graham</i>
Maurice W. ^{east} Rand		<i>Maurice W. Rand</i>
VOLAN WEBB		<i>Volan Webb</i>
Victoria Newman		<i>Victoria Newman</i>
<i>D. Bond</i>		<i>D. Bond</i>
B. + D. Mae Rae		<i>B. + D. Mae Rae</i>
DIANNE LEAIST		<i>Dianne Leai</i>
Dayliffe		<i>Dayliffe</i>
B. DeHarte		<i>B. DeHarte</i>
Bill King		<i>Bill King</i>
<i>Paul</i>		<i>Paul</i>
Number of signatures on page		14

Bates, Tamara

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Sent: July 25, 2021 8:38 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Submitted on Sunday, July 25, 2021 - 8:38am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.99 Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency and Community Services Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: LINDA MALONEY

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address: DUNDAS ONTARIO

Reason(s) for delegation request: To discuss the statue of Sir John A. MacDonald in Gore Park

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.hamilton.ca/node/286/submission/530466>

Bates, Tamara

Subject: FW: Delegation re : Extreme heat and vulnerable populations

From: no-reply@hamilton.ca <no-reply@hamilton.ca>

Sent: August 4, 2021 4:20 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Submitted on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 - 4:19pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.23 Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Board of Health

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Tom Cooper

Name of Organization: Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction

Contact Number:

Email Address: tom@hamiltonpoverty.ca

Mailing Address: 100 Main Street East, Suite 203, Hamilton

Reason(s) for delegation request: Provide Board of Health with an

update on recent community forums related to extreme heat in

Hamilton, how our community can prepare low-income and vulnerable communities for heat emergencies related to climate change.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.hamilton.ca/node/286/submission/533026>

Bates, Tamara

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

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

From: no-reply@hamilton.ca <no-reply@hamilton.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 10:44 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Submitted on Tuesday, August 31, 2021 - 10:44am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.93 Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency & Community Services Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Stephanie Cox - Sharon Crowe

Name of Organization: Hamilton Community Legal Clinic

Contact Number: 905 527 4572

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

100 Main Street East, Suite 203

Hamilton ON L7T 4M3

Reason(s) for delegation request: We would like to speak to the concerns we have around the revocation of the Encampment Protocol and treatment of encampment residents with no alternative housing or shelter options. We hope to provide perspective with the hope of constructive dialogue with a goal towards mutual understanding of the issues. We are requesting a delegation at the meeting scheduled for Thursday September 9, 2021.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.hamilton.ca/node/286/submission/538771>

Bates, Tamara

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

From: no-reply@hamilton.ca <no-reply@hamilton.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 9:42 AM
To: clerk@hamilton.ca
Subject: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Submitted on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 - 9:42am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.91
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==
Committee: Emergency & Community Services Committee

==Requestor Information==
Name of Individual: Dr. Jill Wiwcharuk
Name of Organization: Hamilton Social Medicine Response Team
Contact Number:
Email Address: info@hamsmart.ca
Mailing Address:
Hamilton ON
Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak to the question of encampments based on my experience as a health care provider and on our intervention that resulted in the encampment protocol which was repealed on August 9, 2021. I would like to delegate in person, virtually of course.
Will you be requesting funds from the City? No
Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.hamilton.ca/node/286/submission/539021>

Bates, Tamara

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

From: no-reply@hamilton.ca <no-reply@hamilton.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 9:45 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Form submission from: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Form

Submitted on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 - 9:45am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.91

Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency & Community Services Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Marcie McIlveen

Name of Organization: Keeping Six

Contact Number:

Email Address: marcie@keepingsix.org

Mailing Address:

Hamilton ON

Reason(s) for delegation request:

To speak to our experience on the ground regarding encampments.

I would like to present live to the virtual meeting.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.hamilton.ca/node/286/submission/539026>

7.1



CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Hamilton Paramedic Service

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Automatic Mechanical Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Devices (HSC21028) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Santo Pasqua (905) 546-2424 ext.7386
SUBMITTED BY:	Michael Sanderson Chief, Hamilton Paramedic Service Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- (a) That Council approve the standardization of the ZOLL AutoPulse® Compression devices, components and accessories manufactured by ZOLL Canada Inc., pursuant to Procurement Policy #14 – Standardization, until December 31, 2030 and that the Chief, Hamilton Paramedic Service, be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute any required Contract and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with an authorized distributor in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (b) That a sum not to exceed \$500,000 be authorized to be charged to the approved 2021 Capital Funding Project ID 7642151102 to fund the initial acquisition of the ZOLL AutoPulse® system devices, components and accessories, with all subsequent costs to be charged to the Hamilton Paramedic Service Operating Budget.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The quality and consistency of chest compressions performed during Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) has been demonstrated to impact both the return of spontaneous circulation and patient discharge from hospital following a sudden cardiac arrest. In 2020, Hamilton Paramedic Service (HPS) performed classroom and actual clinical evaluation of two approved mechanical chest compression devices to explore the feasibility of implementation and the interoperability with the current other medical and

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technical devices already in use within the paramedic service. Quantitative and qualitative data were collected.

Clear preference was expressed by paramedics involved in the evaluation for the ZOLL AutoPulse® A-CPR board.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not applicable

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: Council has allocated \$500,000 capital block funding in the 2021 budget for the purchase of these devices, project ID 7642151102. Additional purchase costs, if required, will be covered through existing HPS capital equipment reserves. Recapitalization of the devices over the anticipated life cycle has been included in contributions to reserves for 2021 and subsequent years. Operating costs, estimated at approximately \$110 per cardiac arrest where the devices are used, have already been incorporated into the HPS operating budget.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

HPS is responsible for providing pre-hospital emergency care for people experiencing medical and/or traumatic injuries including Out-Hospital-Cardiac-Arrest (OHCA). Over the past several years (Table 1) HPS has responded to an average of 1,200 cardiac arrests per year, a rate of 4.67 per 1,000 population per year.

	Cardiac Arrest or Post Arrest	Transport Code 4
2016	1,184	345
2017	1,205	361
2018	1,298	388
2019	1,257	360
2020	1,283	287

Table 1 (Source: Interdev Analytics)

Both Primary Care Paramedics (PCP) and Advanced Care Paramedics (ACP) are specially trained to provide additional care to OHCA patients such as advanced cardiac life support including manual rhythm interpretation and manual defibrillation.

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The proposed ZOLL AutoPulse® CPR Board meets the requirements of the Ministry of Health and LTC as well is approved for use in Canada and Ontario.

The recommendation is in accordance with By-law 20-205 City Procurement Policy, Policy 4.14 Standardization.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Corporate Services, Financial Planning, Administration and Policy, and the Procurement Section have been consulted with respect to adherence to the City's Procurement Policy and have provided comment on this report.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

HPS evaluated the two most widely used mechanical CPR Devices in Canada and worldwide, the Lucas 3.1 and the ZOLL AutoPulse®.

Both Mechanical CPR devices are certified for use by Health Canada and align with the most recent guidelines from the Heart and Stroke recommendations for resuscitation regarding mechanical or automated CPR devices.¹

HPS Performance and Development staff were trained in the use of the devices by representatives of the device manufacturers. Our HPS trainers in turn trained, tested and evaluated front line paramedics on the devices prior to the trial.²

Equipment Compatibility

HPS currently uses the ZOLL X-Series Cardiac monitor. Evaluation criteria included compatibility and ease of data capture of the automated CPR device on this monitor.

ZOLL

The ZOLL AutoPulse® A-CPR board works wirelessly with our existing monitors and the ZOLL AutoPulse® also utilizes what is called "ShockSync" technology. These technologies work together to wirelessly calculate when the heart is best able to respond to paramedic treatments such as defibrillation of the heart at the least measured impedance, "Optimal Time". This enhancement will allow paramedics to align with the most current American Heart Association guidelines, of almost no "hands off" time. The ZOLL AutoPulse® board and ZOLL X-Series monitor will also allow for HPS to integrate CPR Feedback/Defibrillation data into its existing ePCR ZOLL data platform Code Review. The addition of the AutoPulse® to the existing cardiac monitoring

¹ <https://emspcp.cdha.nshealth.ca/LOE.aspx?VProtStr=General%20Cardiac%20Arrest%20Care&VProtID=132>

² <https://www.formstack.com/admin/submission/report/28022332?share=HFbKIFnj75>

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technology and resuscitation data recorded would allow for a more robust and integrated call review for quality assurance (QA) and Quality Improvement (QI) purposes and patient outcome data. This would allow HPS to align with other current initiatives such as inhouse CPR training, Canadian Emergency Department Information Systems (CEDIS) and Integrated Decision Support (IDS).

Lucas 3.1

The Lucas 3.1 also aligns with the most current American Heart Association guidelines for mechanical CPR and the Lucas can provide Hamilton Paramedic Service with Wi-Fi and Bluetooth data retrospectively. Feedback can be uploaded after a call to the PhysioControl cloud platform for review. The Lucas 3.1 currently has no compatibility with our existing Zoll cardiac monitors. The CPR and call information would be housed virtually on a PhysioControl platform and for QA/QI would need to retrospectively be merged individually with the data files from our current cardiac monitor. This could prove laborious and difficult to reconcile for HPS at this time.

Patient Movement and Ease of Use

Both the Lucas and the AutoPulse[®] were tested by the same group of paramedics.

Testing and evaluation included movement through a variety of scenarios including elevators, hallways, stretcher loading, and movement into and out of the ambulance.

Both the Lucas and ZOLL mechanical CPR devices proved to do an efficient and equal job of providing adequate mechanical CPR in a static position on the ground or the stretcher. However, when the study group tested the devices in patient movement such as up/down the stairs or to ambulance the AutoPulse[®] was rated as superior by the testing Paramedics. The ZOLL AutoPulse[®] had less movement errors or conveyance errors and fewer interruptions in compressions requiring physically resetting, or properly aligning the (A-CPR) device. This ultimately reduced “hands off” time.

Although the ZOLL has a larger footprint (32h x w17.6 x d3.0 inches and a 23.5lbs weight) vs Lucas (22h x w20.5 x d9.4 inches and a weight of 17.7lbs), it has an integrated movement or conveyance device attached. The Lucas required the use of a secondary conveyance device such as a backboard or scoop (18lbs scoop and 19lb longboard), or another stretcher device. This required paramedics to utilize an additional piece of equipment separate from the Lucas. From a paramedic operating perspective this added equipment needed to be brought to the patient’s side and the overall weight carried by paramedics. Simulated evaluation also showed that securing the patient to the Lucas and then a secondary device to be difficult, time consuming and did not provide a good lifting base or ergonomic way of getting the patient up/down the stairs and out to the stretcher. Alternatively, paramedics would have to wait until the patient was on the stretcher to apply the device. Paramedics noted they were not able to adequately secure the patient to the device and the cross-body strapping technique to safely restrain the patient could not be used effectively. The ZOLL proved easier to use

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when it came to smaller and tighter areas of extrication as the legs could be “dropped” while still providing adequate safe extrication.

Upon review of the automatic mechanical CPR devices there are only two Health Canada authorized devices available, the preferred Zoll device and the Lucas device. Purchasing the Lucas device would result in additional cost and activities for quality assurance and quality improvement as it does not integrate with the current cardiac monitor defibrillator. Further, the clear preference in field evaluation and testing from the involved paramedics was for the ZOLL AutoPulse® A-CPR board. The recommendation is to standardize on the preferred device.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

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CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Hamilton Paramedic Service

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Single-Source Paramedic Service Linen Supply (HSC21029) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Cliff Eggleton (905) 546-2424 Ext. 7743
SUBMITTED BY:	Michael Sanderson Chief, Hamilton Paramedic Service Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- (a) That Council approve the single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, with Mohawk Medbuy Corporation for the supply, cleaning and replacement of linen blankets for the Hamilton Paramedic Service for a five-year period ending December 31, 2026; and,
- (b) That the Chief, Hamilton Paramedic Service, Healthy and Safe Communities Department or designate be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute a Contract and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Mohawk Medbuy Corporation, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Paramedics are required by Provincial Ambulance Equipment Standards to carry specific quantities of linen (blankets, sheets, pillowcases and towels) to be used in pre-hospital care.

The Hamilton Paramedic Service has obtained linen on a single-source basis from Mohawk Medbuy Corporation (previously Mohawk Shared Services Inc.) since 2000, with the most recent single-source authority having been granted through Report

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CES16001 Single Source of Paramedic Services Linen Cleaning and Replacement, approved by Council on Jan18, 2016. Report CES16001 recommended renewal of the single-source arrangement for a further five-year term pursuant to Section 4.11(2) of the Procurement Policy By-law. Mohawk Medbuy Corp was formed in 2017 when Mohawk Shared Services Inc and Medbuy Corporation amalgamated to form a national, not-for-profit, shared services organization serving hundreds of Canadian hospitals and health care providers which helps to drive value, efficiencies and cost-savings on the supplies and services health care services uses. Mohawk Medbuy linen has provided a consistently high level of service for many years and offers specialized health-care sector linen services Cost of linen obtained through the Mohawk Medbuy linen contract is currently less than \$3.50 per ambulance transport.

Since Mohawk Medbuy serves both the local hospitals and Paramedic Services, a single supply chain facilitates the cost-effective and efficient replenishment of clean linen stocks and the safe collection, transportation, and cleaning of used linen, including contaminated materials.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 5

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: Mohawk Shared Services Inc. Costs (2016 – 2020):

Fiscal Year	Cost (\$K) *	Ambulance responses where a patient was carried	Cost per response
2016	188,185.49	49,610	\$3.79
2017	192,380.83	49,763	\$3.86
2018	210,960.84	51,763	\$3.96
2019	205,554.71	53,248	\$3.86
2020	157,864.03	48,412	\$3.26

*Full cost for the FY indicated, including linen purchase and replacement, use of stocking carts and soiled linen bins, pickup, laundering, processing, delivery and administration. Approximately 25% of linen stocks require replacement with new materials annually. Funding for this requirement is included in the annual Paramedic Service operating budget, with \$207,190 K being budgeted for 2021. Costing for this service is related to number of patients transported and the month of year, Hamilton

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Paramedic Service estimates \$950,000 K to be spent over the next 5 year period using historical numbers.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Provincial Ambulance Equipment Standards require specific quantities of linen (blankets, sheets, pillowcases and towels) to be carried on each ambulance for use in pre-hospital patient care. Used and or contaminated linen must be collected after every patient use, then safely transported, cleaned, and restocked for re-use, Paramedics will replenish their linen immediately after each call at the hospital. Consistent, reliable linen supply is required around the clock, 365 days a year.

Historical best practice with almost all Ontario Paramedic Services has been to use the same linen service provider as is used by the hospitals in their catchment area to obtain reliable service while realizing both operational and financial efficiencies. Exceptions result from a few hospitals managing linen in-house, or establishing contracts which exclude non-hospital customers, thereby requiring affected Services to make alternative arrangements. A summary of linen arrangements at selected Ontario Paramedic Services may be found in Appendix “A” to Report HSC21029.

In the Hamilton area, Mohawk Medbuy Corp provides linen services to all our local hospitals, and the Halton, Brant, Niagara, Guelph and Six Nations Paramedic Services. Linen used by multiple agencies throughout a wide geographic area is managed through a common system, with specific linen markings facilitating accurate usage-based cost attribution. Mohawk Medbuy provides clean linen supply carts and used linen collection bins at each hospital, constantly monitors usage, restocks supplies as necessary, and collects and safely transports used and contaminated linen for processing and laundering.

Specific procedures are observed in the handling of health care linen to ensure that there is no cross-contamination from patient to patient which was highlighted during the COVID 19 pandemic. Linen services provided by Mohawk Medbuy conform to Public Health Ontario’s Best Practices for Environmental Cleaning for Prevention and Control of Infections. Quality control over the past five years has been fully acceptable.

Mohawk Medbuy has full access to hospitals for performance of this service and is certified for the collection and transportation of hazardous materials associated with contaminated linen. The seamless management of contaminated or potentially contaminated materials is a value-added service that would be very difficult to supplant,

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as additional staff, specific training, vehicle licensing, documentation, and specialized containment equipment is required.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

Provincial Ambulance Equipment Standards detail the specific quantities and types of linen to be carried on board ambulances.

Public Health Ontario's Best Practices for Environmental Cleaning for Prevention and Control of Infections details the procedures to be observed in the handling and cleaning of linen used in health care, including that used by Paramedic Services.

Depending of the nature of contamination, transportation of contaminated linen may be subject to the provisions of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Consultation with Procurement staff regarding the interpretation and application of Procurement policy and Consultation with Finance to verify financial information provided in this Report

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

As ambulance linen is uniquely marked and Medbuy Mohawk serves all our Cities hospitals and our Paramedic Service, the following operational efficiencies are achieved through an integrated linen system:

- A reliable supply of clean linen is available for immediate restock at hospitals, so crews do not have to use time returning to stations to replenish linen thereby allowing them to be available for reassignment from the hospital when their patient is offloaded.
- Paramedics may leave linen with the patient on transfer to the hospital bed and do not have to wait to recover the linen. Linen is processed through the same system the hospital uses, with costs attributed based on unique markings.
- Used and/or contaminated linen is left in designated containers at the hospital. Paramedic Service staff are not required to transport used linen or potentially hazardous contaminated materials.
- Mohawk Medbuy linen handles and processes linen in accordance with Public Health Ontario's Best Practices for Environmental Cleaning for Prevention and Control of Infections to ensure that there is no cross-contamination.
- Mohawk Medbuy has provided consistent, reliable service over a long period of time.

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- Mohawk Medbuy non-profit structure, buying power and economy of scale provide service efficiency and cost effectiveness.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

The alternative to the recommended approach is to conduct a competitive procurement process for the Supply, Cleaning and Replacement of Paramedic Service Linen.

Pros: The advantage to this approach is that the best pricing for the required services would be confirmed.

Cons: As it is operationally essential for the pick-up of clean and drop-off of used linen to occur at hospitals, selection of a vendor other than Mohawk Medbuy would make it necessary for duplicate clean linen carts and used linen bins to be installed in each hospital location. Given the limited space available, it is unlikely that hospitals would support this duplication and participate with a separate linen system for paramedics.

Efficiency would be reduced if multiple suppliers were to be involved in linen supply, as additional time, staff, training and financial resources would be required to sort mixed dirty linen by supplier and return it to the appropriate supplier for processing.

Should an alternative vendor be selected, significant staff effort would be required to monitor stocking, ensure quality control and verify cost attribution. Additional staff and vehicle resources would be required to monitor stocks and collect, sort and deliver linen.

Financial Implications: Actual comparative costs can only be obtained through a competitive solicitation; however, Mohawk Medbuy Corp operates as a non-profit with a substantial established customer base in the health-care sector and has demonstrated operational efficiency and economies of scale. It is unlikely that a commercial vendor would be able to offer a competitive price, given that new stock would have to be acquired, an equivalent level of service provided, and profit generated.

Staffing Implications: Significant staff effort would be required to develop and evaluate a Request for Proposals and then manage implementation should an alternative vendor be successful. Additional staff and vehicle resources would be required to monitor stocks and collect, sort and deliver linen.

Legal Implications: There are no legal implications associated with this alternative.

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Appendix “A” to Report HSC21029 – Linen Services for Selected Ontario Paramedic Services

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Linen Services for Selected Ontario Paramedic Services

The following chart summarizes the linen supply, cleaning and replacement service arrangements in place at a representative sample of Ontario Paramedic Services. As pre-hospital care is an integral part of the health care process, linen services are invariably closely associated with arrangements in place at the accepting hospitals. The principal options for linen service arrangements include:

- Commercial vendor, Hospital co-op or the hospital itself provides all services including linen purchase and replacement, cleaning, pickup and delivery.
- Commercial vendor or Hospital co-op provides linen purchase, replacement cleaning and delivery to one location, with the Service being responsible to deliver to and pick up from hospitals and other stations.
- Service purchases and replaces its own linen, with a Commercial vendor or Hospital co-op providing cleaning and pick up/delivery at one or more locations. The Service is responsible to deliver to and pick up from hospitals and other stations.

Paramedic Service	Linen Service Provider	Additional Information
Brant	Mohawk Medbuy	Same Linen Service that local hospitals use Paramedics drop off linen with patients and pick up clean linen at hospitals
Niagara Region	Mohawk Medbuy	Same Linen Service that local hospitals use Paramedics drop off linen with patients and pick up clean linen at hospitals
Halton Region	Mohawk Medbuy and Eco Tex	Halton Hospitals use two separate companies which intern causes Halton Paramedic system to pay premiums for linen to be redirected when being left at hospitals on different contracted linen cleaning companies.
Hamilton	Mohawk Medbuy	Same Linen Service that local hospitals use Paramedics drop off dirty linen with patients and pick up clean linen at hospitals
Peel Region	K – Brow linen	Same Linen Service that local hospitals use Paramedics drop off dirty linen with patients and Main Fleet Centres for redeployment.
Waterloo Region	ECO – TEX	Same Linen Service that local hospitals use Paramedic drop off dirty linen with patients and pick up clean linen from hospital linen carts.
Guelph	Mohawk Medbuy / ECO-TEX	Considerable issues as two hospital systems use different vendors leading to increased lost linen increased costs and hospitals not assisting in ambulance linen recovery

7.3



CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Hamilton Paramedic Service

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Purchase of New Stair Chair Conveyance Equipment (HSC21030) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Cliff Eggleton (905) 546-2424 Ext. 7743
SUBMITTED BY:	Michael Sanderson Chief, Hamilton Paramedic Service Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- (a) That Council approve the standardization of Stryker Conveyance equipment Including the Stryker Stair Pro manufactured by Stryker pursuant to Procurement Policy #14 – Standardization, until December 31, 2030 (expected service life of the equipment); and,
- (b) That staff be directed to issue a competitive procurement process as outlined in the procurement By-Law No. 20-205 to obtain stated equipment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the course of Paramedics Professional duties, staff are required to carry, move or extricate individuals from numerous locations and or situations where the traditional paramedic stretcher cannot be utilized to move the individual to the ambulance. To assist in these scenarios when the stretcher cannot be utilized, a conveyance system called a “stair chair” is utilized to lift and carry patients up or down stairs as well as allowing the paramedics to roll the patients in a wheelchair like device around tight quarters.

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The current stair chair conveyance equipment in use by paramedics across the city is at end of life and requires replacement.

Hamilton Paramedic Service completed a staff trial and evaluation of the two Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care approved Stair Chair Conveyance Equipment available for Ontario Ambulance Market with the Stryker brand being the brand of choice for this critical piece of conveyance equipment. Hamilton Paramedic Service currently has an approved Policy #14 for Stryker brand stretcher/loading conveyance systems (Report CS15026) which has been successful in the current ambulance system.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not applicable**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Financial: Initial acquisition of the new equipment has been estimated at approximately \$180,000. This is included in the 2020 Council Approved Capital Budget under Project #7642051101 – 2020 Equipment Replacement Project for Hamilton Paramedic Service.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

In 2019, Hamilton Paramedic Service (HPS) identified that the current Stair Chair Conveyance Device in operation (the Ferno EZ glide) would be reaching end of life and would need to be replaced soon. To ensure the current market options for pre-hospital Stair Chair Conveyance Devices was evaluated prior to the procurement and replacement of the current equipment HPS staff were invited to participate, evaluate and use the three Stair Chair Conveyance Devices that are approved for use in the Ontario ambulance market (Ferno EZ Glide, Ferno Power and Stryker Stair Pro). HPS initiated a comprehensive evaluation, survey and a six-week field trial to gather user information on the ease of use along with staff preferences to provide an informed decision on which device would be the preferred option for HPS. The review and conclusion of the trial identified that the Stryker Stair Pro Device was the device of choice for HPS staff.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The recommended device meets the Provincial Equipment Standards for Ontario Ambulance Services.

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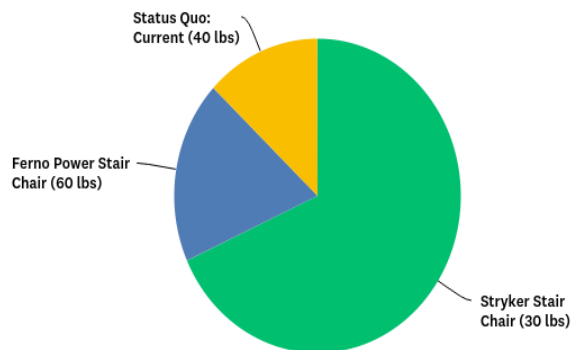
RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Consultation with Procurement staff regarding the interpretation and application of Procurement policy and Consultation with Finance to verify financial information provided in report.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

HPS evaluated the three most widely used and approved Stair chair conveyance devices approved for Ontario Ambulance Systems, the Ferno EZ Glide chair, The Ferno Power Chair and the Stryker Stair Pro. HPS Performance and Development staff were trained in the use of the devices by representatives of the device manufacturers then in turn our trainers trained, tested and evaluated front line paramedics on all three devices prior to initiating the demonstration, survey and six week trial. Results from the survey are included below.

Q1 Given the three stair chairs which were demonstrated in PDD2, I prefer the following option:



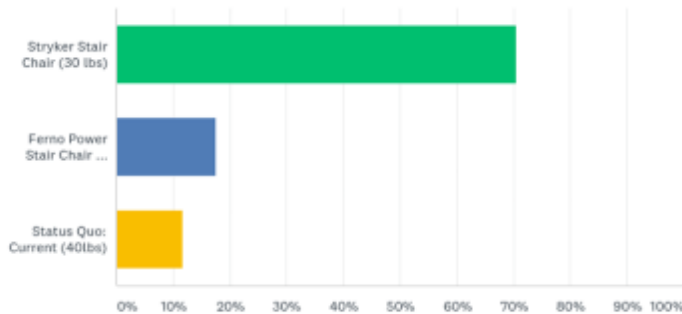
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Q4: During the Field Trial, I preferred the following stair chair:



The feedback from staff identified the Stryker Stair Pro chair as the preferred conveyance device mainly due to the significant weight differences of the three chairs. Paramedics appreciate the advantages of lighter equipment when having to carry equipment and people up or down stairs and in and out of homes. HPS has currently invested substantially in other Stryker conveyance devices with the Stryker Power Stretches and Stryker Power Loader systems to assist in the reduction of lifting acquired injuries for paramedics and this device will also reduce the amount of weight paramedics are required to lift on a regular basis.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None

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CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Ontario Works Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Harmonizing Eligibility Requirements for Subsidy Programs (HSC21026) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Terry Quinn (905) 546-2424 Ext. 3080
SUBMITTED BY:	Bonnie Elder Director, Ontario Works Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the financial eligibility criteria be harmonized for the following Hamilton low-income programs:
- Affordable Transit Pass
 - Housing Stability Benefits
 - Recreation Assistance Program
 - Snow Angels
 - Special Supports;
- (b) That the income threshold used by the programs listed in recommendation (a) to make financial eligibility decisions be the Statistics Canada Low Income Measure (LIM);
- (c) That any 2021 cost impact due to changing the financial eligibility criteria to LIM be absorbed first within the Division surplus, and if necessary, any department overall surplus; and,
- (d) That the additional cost required to provide this service in 2022, estimated at \$98 K be included in the 2022 Tax Operating Budget for Council deliberation and approval through the 2022 Budget process.

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**SUBJECT: Harmonizing Eligibility Requirements for Subsidy Programs
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Hamilton offers a number of programs to residents with low incomes who may or may not be in receipt of social assistance. Some of these programs provide financial assistance for specific benefits and others provide direct service. These programs are widely referred to as low-income programs. These programs were created locally to meet specific needs and are levy funded. Administration of these low-income programs are provided by several Divisions within the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, depending on the type of benefit or service requested.

Currently, each program has its own financial eligibility criteria. This results in a resident having to meet a different benchmark for each program. Report HSC21026 recommends harmonizing the eligibility criteria across all low-income programs to an income threshold approach using the Statistics Canada Low Income Measure (LIM). This would simplify the process for residents and help them self-assess eligibility before applying. If approved, Report HSC21026 furthers the integration of human services within the City and facilitates the transition to a common application for multiple programs in the future.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 5

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: Each program reviewed the budget impact of changing the income threshold that they currently use to LIM and most determined that the impact would be minor and could be managed within current approved budgets. Special Supports section, however, will face an annual pressure estimated at \$98 K. Cost implications in 2021 can be managed within the program's existing approved funding. The total estimated cost of \$98 K for this service will be included in the 2022 Tax Operating Budget for Council approval.

LIM amounts will be updated by Statistics Canada each year. In the past, some low-income programs have not adjusted income eligibility criteria annually, resulting in fewer low-income residents being eligible each year. A practice of consistently using the most recently published LIM will allow the financial eligibility to keep pace with inflation. Any in year budget pressures that result from changes to LIM will be brought to Council as part of the annual budget process.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The City's low-income programs were created at different times and to address different specific needs. Eligibility for each program was established when each program was developed, some with complicated financial eligibility criteria. When updated to address inflation, each program has maintained their approach and not standardized criteria with other programs. Hesitancy to change was often rooted in the desire to avoid budget implications, stay consistent to past practices, or simply related to different timing in the decision to update criteria across the programs. Limited analysis had been completed to fully understand the impact of harmonizing financial eligibility across the programs.

Pre-COVID-19, staff began work on ways to integrate human services offered across Divisions within Healthy and Safe Communities Department. Harmonizing financial eligibility criteria was investigated, however at that time, staff were unable to determine the budget and client impact to the Special Supports program due to the complexity and wide range of benefits offered.

This work has since been completed. Program staff have determined that changing to the proposed financial eligibility criteria would greatly simplify the application process for residents and have a manageable financial impact to the program overall. The decision to update and simplify the Special Supports financial eligibility criteria enabled the Healthy and Safe Communities Department to revisit the concept of harmonizing financial eligibility criteria across all low-income programs.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The Municipal Act allows municipalities to establish procedural requirements for the programs and services provided to residents by the municipality.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Finance and Administration Section: Finance and Administration was consulted regarding the net levy impact.

Housing Services Division: The Division was consulted regarding the budget, client service and efficiency impacts of harmonizing financial eligibility criteria to the Housing Stability Benefit program. Management is in support.

Ontario Works Division: The Division was consulted regarding the budget, client service and efficiency impacts of harmonizing financial eligibility criteria to the Special Supports Low Income and Affordable Transit Pass programs. Management is in support.

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Recreation Division: The Division was consulted regarding the budget, client service and efficiency impacts of harmonizing financial eligibility criteria to the Recreation Assistance program. Management is in support.

Neighbourhood Development Section: Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Division was consulted regarding the budget, client service and efficiency impacts of harmonizing financial eligibility criteria to the Snow Angels program. Management is in support.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION**The Need for Unique Eligibility Criteria for Some Programs:**

Harmonizing the financial eligibility criteria across programs does not eliminate additional eligibility criteria that are program specific from being used. For example, the Affordable Transit Pass requires that the applicant meet the financial criteria and be employed. This second criterion is a key element of the Affordable Transit Pass and would not change if recommendations to Report HSC21026 are approved. However, most programs rely on income as their sole eligibility criteria.

Simplified Application Process:

Some low-income clients are eligible for multiple programs, however must provide different income information in their application and/or meet different income thresholds. The harmonized financial eligibility criteria recommended in Report HSC21026 would use the same information which the client can provide from their recent income tax Notice of Assessment.

Online Applications:

Special Supports is currently developing an online low-income benefit application and benefit management system approved by Council in Report HSC20039. With a harmonized financial eligibility criteria, there is increased opportunity for other City low-income programs to use the same system in the future.

Budget Implications:

Each of the programs recommended for the harmonized financial eligibility criteria have reviewed the cost impact to their program. Each program has determined that the financial impact is manageable within existing budgets in 2021 and do not anticipate large increases in future years as a result. However, the simplified application process and increased visibility of the programs could result in an increase in the number of applications received; the impact of which cannot be determined.

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Any unforeseen cost pressures identified will be managed within programs with efficiency savings and remaining cost pressures (if any) will be referred to Council as part of the annual budget process.

Using LIM for the income threshold amount:

Report HSC21026 recommends using LIM provided by Statistics Canada. LIM is updated annually with Hamilton specific data and adjusted for different family sizes. LIM is one of the most common measures of low-income used by policy experts and considered more up-to-date than other low-income measures.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

An alternative to using the annually adjusted LIM as the income threshold amount would be to choose an income threshold that is not adjusted annually. The implications of this alternative include:

- it does not reflect any inflationary pressures faced by residents in their cost-of-living expenses; and,
- As other income types such as Canada Pension and Old Age Security benefits amounts increase with periodic inflation related adjustments, fewer clients would be eligible each year

There are no legal or staffing implications of this alternative.

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HARMONIZING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBSIDY PROGRAMS

Emergency and Community Services Committee
August 12, 2021

Low Income Subsidy Programs



Affordable
Transit Pass



Housing
Stability
Benefit

Snow
Angels
THE NEIGHBOURLY THING TO DO.



*Special
Supports*

Low Income
Benefits

Low Income Measure (LIM)

- LIM is calculated *annually* by Statistics Canada for *specific census areas* (including Hamilton)
- A household is considered low income if its income is below 50% of *median* incomes for similarly sized households
- LIM is considered a better measure than LICO (Low Income Cut Off) by statisticians and policy experts

Financial Impact

- Any financial impact in 2021 will be absorbed in Divisional surplus (Dept. surplus if necessary)
- Any additional cost required to provide this service in 2022, will be included in the Tax Operating Budget process for Council deliberation and approval

Benefits for Hamilton Residents

- Programs will have a clear and consistent financial threshold for low-income benefits
- Prevents minor increases in fixed incomes from causing residents to lose a benefit
- Enables the potential for streamlining of the application process for residents



QUESTIONS?

10.3

CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Housing Services Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Municipal Affairs and Housing Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 and Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (HSC20036(b)) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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SUBMITTED BY:	Edward John Director, Housing Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) to administer the additional Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 (SSRF4) allocation to a maximum amount of \$13,823,000 and Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) allocation to a maximum amount of \$1,028,000 and any agreements with Community Services Provider(s), as well as any ancillary agreements, contracts, extensions and documents required to give effect thereto in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On August 16, 2021, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) announced that the City of Hamilton is to receive an additional SSRF4 funding allocation of \$13,823,000 for the 2021-22 fiscal year to support challenges brought on by COVID-19, as well as an additional funding allocation for COCHI of \$1,028,000 for the 2021-22

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fiscal year to support community housing (attached as Appendix “A” to Report HSC20036(b)).

Under SSRF4, the fourth and final phase of the province’s Social Services Relief Fund, funds are intended to complement initial allocations provided through the MMAH SSRF, SSRF2, SSRF2 Holdback and SSRF3 as part of the provincial government’s COVID-19 response plan. The City of Hamilton received:

- \$6,880,800 through the SSRF in April 2020,
- \$11,323,812 through the SSRF2 in July 2020,
- \$6,395,900 through the SSRF2 Holdback in December 2020, and
- \$12,301,538 through SSRF3 in March 2021.

COCHI is intended to support community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock. This funding is in addition to Hamilton’s 2021-22 COCHI allocation of \$2,784,784 that was communicated on May 6, 2021, bringing the total 2021-22 funding for COCHI to \$3,812,784.

Hamilton continues to coordinate closely with critical community partners in health and social services to plan for the risk of infection, spread or outbreak of COVID-19. The SSRF4 funding will further support the continuation of Hamilton’s COVID-19 emergency supports, as well as transition planning through post-COVID recovery to a more responsive, resilient, sustainable and housing-focused homeless-serving system in alignment with the outcomes and strategies within Hamilton’s Housing and Homelessness Action Plan.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As of March 31, 2021, \$24.6 M of SSRF funding was received with \$23.4 M being committed by the end of the fiscal year. \$1.2 M was returned to the Province as eligible projects could not be identified within the time constraints of the funding guidelines. As of March 31, 2022, projected COVID operating costs will total \$30.3 M with \$26.1 M of the projected costs funded by SSRF according to the table below.

Housing Services Division will be completing a business case for the Ministry to demonstrate the use of \$13.8 M in SSRF4 additional funding by the utilization deadlines of March 31, 2022 for operating and December 31, 2023 for capital expenses, in accordance with the guidelines. A portion of the SSRF4 funding is expected to cover additional costs projected to December 2021 and reduce the pressure on the levy for costs projected between January to March 2022 within Report HSC20020(c). Remaining SSRF4 available funds are expected to be used for Capital. The Housing

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Services Division will continue to monitor the projected costs to ensure 100% funding is maximized by March 2022.

SSRF Funding Allocations	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
SSRF1	6,880,800	
SSRF2	11,323,812	
SSRF2-HB	6,395,900	
SSRF3		12,301,538
SSRF4		13,823,000
SSRF Funding Received	24,600,512	26,124,538
Committed Costs	23,358,494	26,124,538
Returned to the Province	1,242,018	-

The additional funding of \$1.028 M for Canada Ontario Community Housing Initiative will bring the total allocation for 2021-22 to \$3,812,784. Housing Services Division will be completing a business case for the Ministry to demonstrate the use of \$1.028 M in COCHI additional funding.

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS – N/A

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The City of Hamilton received a base funding amount of \$2,784,784 from the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. COCHI is a key program introduced under Ontario's Community Housing Renewal Strategy in 2019, and funding is delivered through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)-Ontario Bilateral Agreement under the National Housing Strategy.

The City of Hamilton received a base funding amount of \$19,645,911 from the Provincial Government's Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. CHPI is a 100% provincially funded outcomes-based program that aims to prevent and end homelessness by improving access to adequate, suitable, and affordable housing and homelessness services for people experiencing homelessness and for people at-risk of homelessness. Housing Services Division brokers many of these services through community partners.

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On April 1, 2020, the City of Hamilton received a funding allocation in the amount of \$6,880,800 under the provincial Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) for 2020-2021 to support the needs of the most vulnerable in our communities, including people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless, during the COVID-19 crisis. The additional funding was intended to complement Hamilton's CHPI base funding.

On July 2, 2020, the province announced an additional allocation of \$11,323,812 in 2020-21 for the City of Hamilton to support ongoing challenges brought on by COVID-19 through the Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2 (SSRF2). The province communicated that a portion of the total SSRF2 funds would be held back to help communities disproportionately impacted by the effects of COVID-19.

On December 15, 2020, the City of Hamilton received an additional \$6,395,900 in SSRF2 funding in 2020-21. The Ministry held back these funds from SSRF2 and they must be utilized by March 31, 2021 for operating expenses and December 31, 2021 for capital expenses.

On March 10, 2021, the City of Hamilton received a funding allocation of \$12,301,538 under the provincial Social Services Relief Fund Phase 3 (SSRF3). The additional allocation of one-time operating funding was implemented to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector.

On June 3, 2021, the Emergency and Community Services Committee approved recommendations outlined in Report HSC20020(c) Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 3.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

None

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Quick distribution of COVID-19 emergency response funding is critical to protect those experiencing homelessness or housing instability and the workers supporting them. On March 27, 2020, the Housing Services Division received endorsement from the Community Advisory Board for the investment of Federal and Provincial COVID-19 funds in accordance with the coordination provided by the City of Hamilton's Emergency Operations Centre and information provided by the Indigenous community and community partners. The Housing Services Division committed to reporting back to the Community Advisory Board with details on the investments made.

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Housing Services Division will continue to communicate and engage with the Coalition of Hamilton Indigenous Leadership, partner organizations and sector planning tables to look for ongoing permanent solutions to address system pressures.

Regarding Hamilton's approach to delivery of COCHI and the allocation of the funding between sub-programs, Housing Services Division will communicate and liaise with the Housing and Homelessness Planning Group and the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The SSRF4 supports provincial CHPI investments in Hamilton to connect individuals experiencing homelessness to permanent housing with supports and to keep individuals and staff in the homelessness sector safe during COVID-19.

The objectives of SSRF4 are to: mitigate ongoing risk for vulnerable people, especially in congregate care settings; encourage longer-term housing-based solutions to homelessness post-COVID-19; enhance rent assistance provided to households in rent arrears due to COVID-19; and to ensure an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry on March 31, 2022.

Eligible operating and capital expenses under SSRF4 include but are not limited to:

- continued use of motels or hotels as isolation centres or to support social distancing;
- rental assistance such as funding for rent arrears and short-term housing allowances;
- transportation costs;
- food and supplies;
- enhanced cleaning services;
- non-medical staffing requirements (e.g., enhanced outreach services);
- personal protective equipment; and,
- minor retrofits, alterations and repairs under \$50,000.

More broadly, this funding could also be used towards initiatives delivered through local service agencies like:

- rent bank and emergency energy funds;
- food banks and grocery gift cards;
- community outreach to support vulnerable populations in self-isolation;
- transportation for low-income individuals to get to and from medical appointments; and,
- funding administration needs, including staffing.

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All eligible operating expenses must be spent by March 31, 2022. Service Managers must consider how enhanced supports and services offered through the SSRF will be phased out or continued through other funding sources as the SSRF Phase 4 ends on March 31, 2022. Funding under the SSRF Phase 4 capital components must be committed by December 31, 2021 and must be completed by March 31, 2023.

SSRF4 funding will largely address existing commitments made to date up until March 31, 2022, as outlined in Report HSC20020(c) Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 3, and will contribute to ensuring an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry and a transition to a more responsive, resilient, sustainable and housing-focused homeless-serving system in alignment with the outcomes and strategies within Hamilton's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan. Items that SSRF4 will continue to address include: additional shelter capacity within hotel overflow; enhancements to the women's emergency shelter system; continuation of COVID-19 related supports for the homeless-serving system; expansion of drop-in services; continuation of operation of COVID-19 isolation services for people experiencing homelessness, etc.

Enhancements to COCHI will continue to provide an opportunity for the City of Hamilton and housing providers to address the challenges associated with projects reaching the end of their operating agreements and/or mortgage maturity. Significant challenges remain in terms of maintaining this important supply of community housing and the additional COCHI allocation will continue to support the needs identified in Hamilton's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan.

Authorization of the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, to enter into and execute an agreement with the MMAH for SSRF4 and COCHI is recommended to facilitate the acceptance and quick distribution of funding from the MMAH, which is critical to Hamilton's COVID-19 ongoing response related to housing and emergency shelter services.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 – 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" to Report (HSC20036(b)): MMAH SSRF Phase 4 and additional COCHI
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August 16, 2021

Fred Eisenberger
Mayor, City of Hamilton
City Hall 71 Main Street West, 2nd Floor
Hamilton ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Fred Eisenberger:

I am pleased to be writing to you today with important details regarding an additional investment of \$307 million we are making available through the fourth and final phase of the province's Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) and through the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI).

As you know, protecting the health and well-being of Ontarians has always been our government's number one priority throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. We have made several difficult decisions to safeguard Ontarians, including public health and workplace safety measures made in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and other healthcare experts.

As well, we have announced multiple investments totalling \$765 million to support Ontario's Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators through three iterations of the province's SSRF, and other provincial investments to support those suffering from mental health and addictions issues and to support isolation centre capacity in select municipalities. We know that this funding has been effective in supporting Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators to respond quickly, adapt services, and address the housing and economic impacts of COVID-19 in their communities.

Building on these investments, our government is pleased to announce an additional **\$307 million** to Ontario's municipal and Indigenous partners.

Under the fourth and final phase of the SSRF, **\$286.4 million** will be provided in additional one-time operating and capital funding, bringing the government's total SSRF investment to just over \$1 billion. This final phase of SSRF funding will enable Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators to continue to support the vital services that were established to address the impacts of COVID-19 on vulnerable

Ontarians, while ensuring an orderly winddown of provincial supports as the SSRF comes to an end.

Under the "SSRF Phase 4", I am pleased to confirm that the City of Hamilton will receive an additional **\$13,823,000** in provincial funding for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Under the COCHI program, our government has also approved the release of up to an additional **\$21 million**. This funding will support community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock.

Under COCHI, I am pleased to also announce an additional funding allocation in the amount of **\$1,028,000** to the City of Hamilton for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Program Details – Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4

This funding supports operating and capital expenses to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector. Funding is to be used by Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators for eligible expenses (in accordance with the enclosed Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 Program Guidelines) beginning April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

The objectives for SSRF Phase 4 as are follows:

1. **Mitigate ongoing risk for vulnerable people, especially in congregate care settings:**
 - Where appropriate, support changes to the physical design of congregate spaces, permit physical distancing and other modifications based on public health guidance; and
 - Provide ongoing services and supports to address immediate pandemic needs of vulnerable people.
2. **Encourage longer-term housing-based solutions to homelessness post-COVID-19:**
 - Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators are encouraged to use funding in ways that create longer-term housing solutions, move towards client service models that are innovative, and support client and organizational readiness for potential future outbreaks or emergencies.
3. **Enhance rent assistance provided to households in rent arrears due to COVID-19:**
 - Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators are encouraged to consider using funding to support renter households who may be in rental arrears and at a high risk of becoming homeless.
4. **Ensure an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry on March 31, 2022:**

- Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators must outline a plan for the winddown of SSRF-funded supports and services as part of their SSRF Phase 4 Investment and Winddown Plan.

Of the additional funding, Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators may also use up to three per cent of their allocation for program administration costs, consistent with the approach under the SSRF Phase 2 and 3.

This amendment forms part of your Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) Service Manager Service Agreement effective January 1, 2013 with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing ("Service Agreement") and any breach of any of the terms of the amendment shall constitute an Event of Default under the Service Agreement. All other provisions, including Section 17 – Audits and Reviews, of the Service Agreement remain in full force and effect.

Reporting Requirements – SSRF Phase 4

Reporting requirements for the fourth and final phase of the SSRF will be consistent with the current high-level CHPI reporting. However, these requirements will be augmented with monthly reporting to the Ministry. As well, Service Managers will be required to provide specific examples on the use of SSRF Phase 4 funding from time-to-time to demonstrate effectiveness of the investment.

To receive these additional SSRF Phase 4 funds, you are required to complete and submit the sign-back section of this letter and the enclosed Investment and Winddown Plan to demonstrate how your funding allocations would be used to achieve the objectives of the program and to support the winddown of SSRF-funded supports and services. Please return this back to the Ministry by **September 15, 2021**.

You may submit your signed confirmation and Investment and Winddown Plan via e-mail to your respective Team Lead, Regional Housing Services.

Upon receipt of the sign-back and Investment and Winddown Plan, the Ministry will confirm and communicate its approval of your SSRF Phase 4 allocation, and will proceed to initiate your first operating payment based on your cash flow requirements as outlined in your Investment and Winddown Plan.

The Ministry requires that all information set out in this letter regarding SSRF Phase 4 be held confidential until publicly announced by the province. The province will have sole responsibility for the initial public communication regarding the SSRF Phase 4 funding described in this letter.

After the initial public communication by the province, as with all provincial housing programs that provide funding, Service Managers must acknowledge support of the province in a form and manner as directed by the Ministry. While

we understand these exciting funding opportunities are often met with anticipation by residents and community agencies, these communication protocols have been agreed to by Service Managers. If you wish to make an announcement of funding, I would like to remind you that you are required to notify your municipal services office well in advance for consideration by the province.

Program Details – Additional 2021-22 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Funding

To help sustain, repair and grow the community housing sector, our government introduced the Community Housing Renewal Strategy in 2019. Under this strategy and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we allocated almost \$1.8 billion to the sector in 2020-21, and project to invest up to \$1.3 billion in 2021-22.

Despite these investments, we recognize there are continued challenges faced by community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock.

A key program to support our community housing providers has been the COCHI program. As noted above, I am pleased to announce an additional funding allocation of **\$1,028,000** under COCHI for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

This funding is in addition to the 2021-22 COCHI allocation of \$2,784,784 that was communicated to you through the Ministry's letter dated May 6, 2021, bringing your total 2021-22 funding for COCHI to **\$3,812,784**.

All conditions of funding as communicated through the COCHI/OPHI Program Guidelines and our above referred letter remain the same, including the requirement to report municipal social housing expenditures that match the total annual COCHI allocation provided.

To receive these additional COCHI funds, you are required to complete and submit the enclosed Investment Plan (Appendix "D") that should reflect a sound financial plan and forecast of expenditures by program component. Please refer to the Ministry's COCHI/OPHI Program Guidelines for details about eligible program expenses, program administration fees, and key dates.

Also enclosed is an amendment to the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the COCHI/OPHI programs signed with the City of Hamilton to include the additional funding allocation. You are required to sign the enclosed amending agreement and return it to the Ministry to confirm your agreement to the terms and conditions of the additional COCHI funding.

Please return your signed amending agreement and Investment Plan via e-mail to your respective Team Lead, Regional Housing Services by **September 15, 2021**.

The Ministry requires that this additional COCHI funding be held confidential until publicly announced by the province.

Again, protecting the health and well-being of all Ontarians continues to be the government's number one priority. We sincerely appreciate your efforts to assist vulnerable people in your communities and I look forward to continuing to work together as we move forward with recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yours truly,



The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Enclosures

- c. Janette Smith, Chief Administrative Officer
- Edward John, Director of Housing Services
- Ian Russell, Team Lead, Municipal Services Office

The undersigned agrees to the terms of the above letter and to comply with the **Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 Program Guidelines**.

Service Manager: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date:

I/We have authority to bind the organization.

Appendix "A"

Program Guidelines – Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4

Please see attached.

Appendix "B"

SSRF Phase 4 Investment and Winddown Plan

Please see attached.

Appendix "C"

**Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Amending Agreement for
Additional 2021-22 Funding**

Please see attached.

Appendix "D"

**2021-22 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Additional
Funding Investment Plan**

Please see attached.



CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Housing Services Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Service Manager Consents for CityHousing Hamilton's Development Reset (HSC20055(a)) (Wards 2 and 4) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Wards 2 and 4
PREPARED BY:	Brian Kreps (905) 546-2424 Ext. 1782
SUBMITTED BY:	Edward John Director, Housing Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- (a) That \$246,244 be added to Housing Services' budget in 2024 from the levy or when occupancy occurs, to provide Rent-Geared-to-Income subsidy to all 45 units at CityHousing Hamilton's project at 104-106 Bay St. N.;
- (b) That in the Housing Services Division's 2024 budget or when occupancy occurs, \$103,560 in operating subsidy be transferred from 40 scattered units that CityHousing Hamilton has sold to its project at 55 Queenston Rd.;
- (c) That \$112,697 be added to the Housing Services Division's 2024 budget from the levy or when occupancy occurs to provide subsidy at Rent-Geared-to-Income levels for rent in 40 units at 55 Queenston Rd.;
- (d) That beginning in 2025, the Rent-Geared-to-Income subsidy be increased annually by the amount of the provincial rent increase guideline;
- (e) That recommendations (a) to (d) of Report HSC20055(a) be approved and be contingent upon confirmation that CityHousing Hamilton has secured financing to complete construction of 104-106 Bay St. N. and 55 Queenston Rd.

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- (f) That the Outstanding Business List item identified as Service Manager Consents for CityHousing Hamilton's Development Reset be removed from the OBL and considered complete.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the *Housing Services Act, 2011*, the City of Hamilton is required to maintain a minimum number of social housing units, also known as service levels standards. As part of the ongoing renewal of its portfolio, CityHousing Hamilton (CHH) is redeveloping older properties that are approaching the end of their lifecycle. To support CHH's redevelopment plans and maintain service levels, the Housing Services Division is proposing that current Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) subsidies associated with the older stock be transferred to the new developments. Given that the properties being redeveloped have no outstanding debt, the amount of subsidy is relatively low. To provide RGI subsidy to the new developments generally requires that the subsidy be increased to reflect the new building's cost structure. This report seeks the approval of the transfer of operating subsidy between projects as well as an increase in the value of the subsidy to achieve RGI affordability for units in the new buildings as described below.

CHH's Jamesville property, which consists of 91 RGI townhouse units, is currently being redeveloped. To replace these units, a new 46-unit building will be built on the Jamesville site and CHH will construct a building with 55 units, 45 of which will be RGI, at 104-106 Bay St. N. The RGI subsidy currently associated with the Jamesville development will be retained for the new building at 450 James St. N. In order for the 45 units at 104-106 Bay St. N. to be offered at RGI-level affordability, \$246,244 in rent subsidy is required upon completion of the building, projected to be in 2024. The remaining 10 units in the new development will be offered at median market rent.

CHH is also completing the sale of 100 single and semi-detached RGI properties. To replace these units, CHH is constructing a building at 55 Queenston Rd. with 40 RGI units, a 65 unit building at 701 Upper Sherman Ave. with 46 RGI units and a 24 unit building at 253 King William St. with 14 RGI units. In order for the 40 units at 55 Queenston Rd. to be offered at RGI-level affordability, a portion of the operating subsidy (\$103,560) attached to the single and semi-detached units must be transferred to the development at 55 Queenston Rd. and increased by \$112,697 upon completion of the building, projected to be 2024. Requests to transfer subsidy to the projects at 701 Upper Sherman Ave. and 253 King William St. will be brought forward when the projects have progressed further.

If the operating subsidy is not transferred and additional RGI subsidy provided for these new buildings, the new units will be offered at rents between 69% and 110% of median market rent (MMR). This means that they would not be offered through the Access to

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Housing waitlist nor would they be affordable to most households on the waitlist. Additionally, this would reduce the number of RGI units in Hamilton by 95, making it even more difficult for Hamilton to meet its legislated service level standards.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: The operating subsidy for the existing Jamesville development's 91 units will be retained for the new building at 450 James St. N. Rent-Geared-to-Income subsidy (RGI) for 45 of the 55 units at 104-106 Bay St. N. is required to subsidize the difference between the rent set according to CMHC agreements and RGI levels. The value of the subsidy is currently estimated to be \$246,244 but will ultimately be determined when final rents are established upon completion of the building in 2024. The remaining 10 units will be rented at 100% of Median Market Rent (MMR).

The 2021 operating subsidy for the 100 singles and semis being sold by CHH is \$258,902. These units will be replaced through the construction of buildings at 55 Queenston Rd. (40 RGI units), 701 Upper Sherman Ave. (46 RGI units) and 253 King William St. (14 RGI units). As part of the development of 40 affordable rental units at 55 Queenston, \$103,560 in operating subsidy will be transferred as RGI subsidy. A request to transfer the balance of the operating subsidy from the sold singles and semis will be brought forward when the projects at 701 Upper Sherman Ave. and 253 King William St. are further along. The amount of existing subsidy being transferred to 55 Queenston Rd. is insufficient to fully fund RGI subsidy for the new units. To provide RGI assistance to all units, the subsidy will need to be increased by \$112,697 total annually.

The buildings that were sold or redeveloped had no remaining debt, which is one of the largest expenses in an affordable housing project's budget. The new buildings will have debt which must be paid, and units will be offered at higher rents. This is the major financial impact requiring additional levy funding to provide RGI subsidized housing.

Neither building will be completed until at least 2024, so the City of Hamilton's operating budget will experience no impacts prior to that date. CityHousing Hamilton will include the development within their capital multi-year budget submission and the subsidy required will be included in the Housing Services Division's multiyear operating budget to be reaffirmed in the 2024 operating budget.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

On October 24, 2016 the Emergency and Community Services Committee (ECS) approved Report CES16053 (CityHousing Hamilton - Request for Service Manager and Ministerial Consent to sell units) which allowed CHH to sell 100 single and semi-detached units of social housing. The sale was requested because the units were old and expensive to maintain. The sale was subject to the requirement that CHH invest the proceeds into its Sold Units Investment Fund to be used for the development of a sufficient number of new units of social housing to replace, at a minimum, the 100 units being sold.

At its September 29, 2020 meeting, CityHousing Hamilton's Board approved a revised development strategy based on updated costing figures. Key to this strategy is approval for the Bay-Cannon Phase 1 and 55 Queenston Rd. projects to proceed. The approval also includes the ability to take on debt and encumber properties.

At its December 10, 2020 meeting, the Emergency and Community Services Committee (ECS) approved the recommendations in Report HSC20055 which provided Service Manager Consent for CHH to undertake affordable housing projects at 55 Queenston Rd. (Phase 1) and 104-106 Bay St. N. (Phase 1). Staff were also directed to return to ECS with a report regarding the operating costs associated with these projects.

On June 3, 2021, the Emergency and Community Services Committee (ECS) approved the recommendations in Report HSC21011 entitled Service Manager Consent for CityHousing Hamilton to Sell Jamesville Property. The recommendations provided Service Manager Consent for CHH to sell its current Jamesville development for the purposes of redevelopment. A 46-unit building will be built on the site for CHH. The operating subsidy associated with 46 units of the existing project will be transferred to the new building. In order to provide Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) subsidy to all the units, the budget will be increased by an estimated \$24,000 to provide a new RGI subsidy total of \$193,000.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The *Housing Services Act, 2011* ("Act") designates the City of Hamilton as the Service Manager for Community Housing within the City boundaries. The Act requires that the City of Hamilton maintain a minimum number of Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) units. This is termed the Service Level Standard (SLS) and the City of Hamilton reports annually on its performance against the SLS as part of its annual Service Manager Annual Information Report.

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RELEVANT CONSULTATION

CityHousing Hamilton has reviewed the funding calculations and confirms that they are accurate.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

CityHousing Hamilton's (CHH) Jamesville development and scattered single and semi-detached units are part of its Public Housing portfolio. Under the *Housing Services Act, 2011* Public Housing units are part of the City of Hamilton's Service Level Standard which is the minimum number of Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) units that must be maintained. Additionally, there is no end date for the City's obligation to calculate subsidy for these units.

Fully funding the RGI subsidy for the 45 units at its new 104-106 Bay St. N. development will allow CHH to maintain its previous number of RGI units (91). It also means these 45 units will be offered on the Access to Housing (ATH) waitlist. If this were not to happen the units at 104-106 Bay St. would be offered at 80% of median market rent (MMR) which would not be affordable to people in receipt of social assistance or living with very low incomes and they could not be offered through ATH. This would further reduce the City's ability to meet its SLS.

Transferring the operating subsidy associated with 40 of the single and semi-detached units CHH has sold and increasing the levy by approximately \$112,697 will allow all the units at 55 Queenston Rd. to be offered at RGI level affordability. If this transfer of operating subsidy did not occur and subsidy increased, 13 of the units at 55 Queenston Rd. would be offered at 69% of MMR and the balance would be offered at 110% of MMR which would not be affordable to most of the households on the Access to Housing (ATH) waitlist. It would also mean that the City's SLS would be reduced by 40 units.

CHH's Jamesville development and singles and semis are part of the Public Housing portfolio and receive provincially-mandated increases annually known as the "benchmarks." The developments at 104-106 Bay St. N. and 55 Queenston Rd. will not be part of the Public Housing portfolio because the new buildings are governed by agreements with upper tiers of government that do not include an expectation of annual benchmarked increases. Increasing the RGI subsidy annually by the amount of the provincial rent-increase guideline will allow the subsidy to keep pace with the annual rent increases. Without an annual increase, the value of the subsidy will be reduced each year and fewer units will be able to be subsidized

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ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not Applicable

10.2

CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Ontario Works Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Replacement for the Ontario Works Scheduler (HSC21022) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Carole Zoghaib (905) 546-2424 Ext. 7000 Terry Quinn (905) 546-2424 Ext. 3080
SUBMITTED BY:	Bonnie Elder Director, Ontario Works Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- (a) That the single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, with Clark Marketing Communications for the replacement of the Ontario Works Scheduler, be approved and funded as follows:
- (i) That the estimated one-time cost of \$21,000 be funded from Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046) generated from the Ontario Works forecasted 2021 Net Levy savings;
 - (ii) That the Ontario Works Scheduler maintenance cost estimate of \$38,600 annually, (\$19,300 Net Levy, \$19,300 Provincial funding), be approved by Council and added to the Ontario works 2022 base budget; and,
- (b) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute a Contract and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Clark Marketing Communications, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

City of Hamilton Ontario Works Division (OW) and Information Technology Division (IT) staff have identified that the current client scheduling system is at the end of life, cannot be updated to meet the changing OW business processes and funding targets mandated by the Province, and is not sustainable.

A review of scheduler systems used by other municipalities has identified the majority are using local solutions while the remaining municipalities, including Hamilton, are seeking a new solution to their current scheduler. Research had identified an OW scheduling system developed for Waterloo Region's Community Services Department (Waterloo) that will meet Hamilton's business needs. This system was developed by Clark Marketing Communications (Clark) after Waterloo conducted a competitive RFI process. This system is also used by Niagara Region's Social Assistance and Employment Opportunities Division (Niagara). Two other municipalities in Ontario are also considering use of this scheduler system.

OW staff consulted with Procurement staff and were advised that a Policy #11 Non-Competitive Procurement was required to engage in discussions with Clark to get cost estimates for implementation of the scheduling system used by Waterloo and Niagara. After engaging in preliminary discussions with Clark, OW staff are confident that this vendor is familiar with the needs of an OW Administrator and their scheduling system can meet our current business needs. Further, OW staff in Hamilton, Waterloo and Niagara are confident that Clark can build ongoing enhancements that will be required to meet changing OW business mandates and funding targets imposed by the Province.

If the Recommendations in this Report are approved, the scheduling system would be implemented by April 2022, which aligns with the start of the next Provincial funding period for Ontario Works.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 4**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Financial: The one-time implementation cost for the OW scheduler is estimated to be \$21,000. Work would begin in 2021 but continue into 2022. Any costs incurred in 2021 will be funded by OW Division in year savings. Cost incurred in 2021 will be offset by 50% Provincial funding. Remaining costs that will be paid in 2022 will be funded as noted in Recommendation (a) (i). The anticipated OW surplus in 2021 is expected to cover the draw on the reserve.

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In addition to the one-time project costs, there will be ongoing maintenance and support estimated at \$38,600 annually that will be cost shared with the Province at 50%. The ongoing maintenance costs will be added to the OW base budget in 2022. The maintenance agreement is on a 5-year term, total cost of \$193,000 over the 5 years, cost shared with the Province.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The current OW scheduling system was built in-house by another municipality and adopted by Hamilton over twenty years ago. Changes to OW operating systems, business processes and upcoming changes to the focus of OW case management have rendered it obsolete.

On February 11, 2021, MCCSS outlined a renewed long-term vision for social assistance transformation in Ontario. An overview of the vision and timeline was provided to Council earlier this year in Report HSC21014.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

By-law 20-205, City Procurement Policy, Policy #11 Non-Competitive Procurement.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

City Information Technology Division: City IT staff have confirmed the high-level requirements to operate the Clark scheduler that is currently in use in Waterloo and Niagara and recommend proceeding with Clark. IT will participate with Legal to review and negotiate a “Software as a Service” contract with the vendor and with Clerks to support the privacy assessment if Report HSC21002 is approved. Additionally, no other scheduler currently in City use meets the changing needs of the OW program.

City Clerk Division: The City Clerk will review data privacy methods with vendor’s input prior to completion of any contract.

Procurement Section: Procurement staff was consulted regarding the City’s Procurement Policy. OW was advised to complete a Policy #11 form and receive the approval of the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department prior to engaging the vendor for sole purpose of informing any resulting report to Council.

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Finance and Administration Section: Finance and Administration were consulted regarding the net levy impact.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The current OW scheduler does not provide the needed functionality to meet the needs of Hamilton's local OW operations. A summary of shortcomings of the current tool includes:

- Inability to add/delete or categorize types of client sessions being scheduled. Lack of metrics to balance staff workload and assess overall capacity for client visits;
- No automated appointment reminders to clients by text, email or letters
- Lack of reporting capability on Provincial metrics that impact funding.

The programming language used to develop the current scheduling system is not supported by core City IT staff. Changes to the system that have been requested require the use of external contract staff and have been difficult to realize. The backlog of outstanding change requests and additional changes now required cannot be completed in a timely or financially responsible manner.

Key elements of the renewed long-term vision for social assistance transformation in Ontario include maintaining person-centred services within municipalities to better support life stabilization and improved outcomes, and a shift of administrative services that could benefit from further automation to the Province. These changes to business processes will be accompanied by new performance targets that will impact Hamilton's Ontario Works funding. The current scheduler does not provide the required information to support appropriate oversight and management of local processes and cannot be updated to meet the needs. Additionally, no other city scheduler is available that would meet these business needs.

The proposed Waterloo/Niagara scheduler would address the shortcomings of the current system. Further, it is supported by an external software company who will maintain the system. Any costs to make future updates that may be needed, due to changes in the provincial Ontario Works program, will be shared by the municipalities using the system.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

Hamilton could choose to pursue a scheduler system with another vendor selected through the City's Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The risks of pursuing this alternative include:

- Significant time required for a new vendor to develop the functionality already available in the system used by Waterloo and Niagara;

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- Significant time required for a new vendor to gain understanding of the needs of an Ontario Works administrator;
- Staff time and effort to explain the test similar functionality to what is currently working well for Waterloo and Niagara;
- The cost to develop a new custom system would likely be higher than purchasing the existing Waterloo/Niagara system; and,
- Reduced chance of other municipalities choosing to use the same technology, thereby reducing potential for shared future cost or enhancement benefits.

In addition, if there is a delay through the City's Request for Proposal (RFP) process and a successful vendor is selected in 2022, then it is unknown if Ontario Works will have in-year savings to offset the cost.

Clark Marketing Communications has demonstrated the required functionality and successfully provide these services to Waterloo and Niagara. For these reasons, the alternative of not directly entering a contract with Clark that leverages the Waterloo/Niagara scheduler is not recommended by staff.

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None

10.3

CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Housing Services Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Municipal Affairs and Housing Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 and Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (HSC20036(b)) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Rob Mastroianni (905) 546-2424 Ext. 8035 Nadia Zelisko (905) 546-2424 Ext. 2548 Brian Kreps (905) 546-2424 Ext. 1782
SUBMITTED BY:	Edward John Director, Housing Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
SIGNATURE:	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) to administer the additional Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 (SSRF4) allocation to a maximum amount of \$13,823,000 and Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) allocation to a maximum amount of \$1,028,000 and any agreements with Community Services Provider(s), as well as any ancillary agreements, contracts, extensions and documents required to give effect thereto in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On August 16, 2021, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) announced that the City of Hamilton is to receive an additional SSRF4 funding allocation of \$13,823,000 for the 2021-22 fiscal year to support challenges brought on by COVID-19, as well as an additional funding allocation for COCHI of \$1,028,000 for the 2021-22

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fiscal year to support community housing (attached as Appendix “A” to Report HSC20036(b)).

Under SSRF4, the fourth and final phase of the province’s Social Services Relief Fund, funds are intended to complement initial allocations provided through the MMAH SSRF, SSRF2, SSRF2 Holdback and SSRF3 as part of the provincial government’s COVID-19 response plan. The City of Hamilton received:

- \$6,880,800 through the SSRF in April 2020,
- \$11,323,812 through the SSRF2 in July 2020,
- \$6,395,900 through the SSRF2 Holdback in December 2020, and
- \$12,301,538 through SSRF3 in March 2021.

COCHI is intended to support community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock. This funding is in addition to Hamilton’s 2021-22 COCHI allocation of \$2,784,784 that was communicated on May 6, 2021, bringing the total 2021-22 funding for COCHI to \$3,812,784.

Hamilton continues to coordinate closely with critical community partners in health and social services to plan for the risk of infection, spread or outbreak of COVID-19. The SSRF4 funding will further support the continuation of Hamilton’s COVID-19 emergency supports, as well as transition planning through post-COVID recovery to a more responsive, resilient, sustainable and housing-focused homeless-serving system in alignment with the outcomes and strategies within Hamilton’s Housing and Homelessness Action Plan.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As of March 31, 2021, \$24.6 M of SSRF funding was received with \$23.4 M being committed by the end of the fiscal year. \$1.2 M was returned to the Province as eligible projects could not be identified within the time constraints of the funding guidelines. As of March 31, 2022, projected COVID operating costs will total \$30.3 M with \$26.1 M of the projected costs funded by SSRF according to the table below.

Housing Services Division will be completing a business case for the Ministry to demonstrate the use of \$13.8 M in SSRF4 additional funding by the utilization deadlines of March 31, 2022 for operating and December 31, 2023 for capital expenses, in accordance with the guidelines. A portion of the SSRF4 funding is expected to cover additional costs projected to December 2021 and reduce the pressure on the levy for costs projected between January to March 2022 within Report HSC20020(c). Remaining SSRF4 available funds are expected to be used for Capital. The Housing

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Services Division will continue to monitor the projected costs to ensure 100% funding is maximized by March 2022.

SSRF Funding Allocations	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
SSRF1	6,880,800	
SSRF2	11,323,812	
SSRF2-HB	6,395,900	
SSRF3		12,301,538
SSRF4		13,823,000
SSRF Funding Received	24,600,512	26,124,538
Committed Costs	23,358,494	26,124,538
Returned to the Province	1,242,018	-

The additional funding of \$1.028 M for Canada Ontario Community Housing Initiative will bring the total allocation for 2021-22 to \$3,812,784. Housing Services Division will be completing a business case for the Ministry to demonstrate the use of \$1.028 M in COCHI additional funding.

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS – N/A

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The City of Hamilton received a base funding amount of \$2,784,784 from the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. COCHI is a key program introduced under Ontario's Community Housing Renewal Strategy in 2019, and funding is delivered through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)-Ontario Bilateral Agreement under the National Housing Strategy.

The City of Hamilton received a base funding amount of \$19,645,911 from the Provincial Government's Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. CHPI is a 100% provincially funded outcomes-based program that aims to prevent and end homelessness by improving access to adequate, suitable, and affordable housing and homelessness services for people experiencing homelessness and for people at-risk of homelessness. Housing Services Division brokers many of these services through community partners.

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On April 1, 2020, the City of Hamilton received a funding allocation in the amount of \$6,880,800 under the provincial Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) for 2020-2021 to support the needs of the most vulnerable in our communities, including people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless, during the COVID-19 crisis. The additional funding was intended to complement Hamilton's CHPI base funding.

On July 2, 2020, the province announced an additional allocation of \$11,323,812 in 2020-21 for the City of Hamilton to support ongoing challenges brought on by COVID-19 through the Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2 (SSRF2). The province communicated that a portion of the total SSRF2 funds would be held back to help communities disproportionately impacted by the effects of COVID-19.

On December 15, 2020, the City of Hamilton received an additional \$6,395,900 in SSRF2 funding in 2020-21. The Ministry held back these funds from SSRF2 and they must be utilized by March 31, 2021 for operating expenses and December 31, 2021 for capital expenses.

On March 10, 2021, the City of Hamilton received a funding allocation of \$12,301,538 under the provincial Social Services Relief Fund Phase 3 (SSRF3). The additional allocation of one-time operating funding was implemented to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector.

On June 3, 2021, the Emergency and Community Services Committee approved recommendations outlined in Report HSC20020(c) Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 3.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

None

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Quick distribution of COVID-19 emergency response funding is critical to protect those experiencing homelessness or housing instability and the workers supporting them. On March 27, 2020, the Housing Services Division received endorsement from the Community Advisory Board for the investment of Federal and Provincial COVID-19 funds in accordance with the coordination provided by the City of Hamilton's Emergency Operations Centre and information provided by the Indigenous community and community partners. The Housing Services Division committed to reporting back to the Community Advisory Board with details on the investments made.

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Housing Services Division will continue to communicate and engage with the Coalition of Hamilton Indigenous Leadership, partner organizations and sector planning tables to look for ongoing permanent solutions to address system pressures.

Regarding Hamilton's approach to delivery of COCHI and the allocation of the funding between sub-programs, Housing Services Division will communicate and liaise with the Housing and Homelessness Planning Group and the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The SSRF4 supports provincial CHPI investments in Hamilton to connect individuals experiencing homelessness to permanent housing with supports and to keep individuals and staff in the homelessness sector safe during COVID-19.

The objectives of SSRF4 are to: mitigate ongoing risk for vulnerable people, especially in congregate care settings; encourage longer-term housing-based solutions to homelessness post-COVID-19; enhance rent assistance provided to households in rent arrears due to COVID-19; and to ensure an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry on March 31, 2022.

Eligible operating and capital expenses under SSRF4 include but are not limited to:

- continued use of motels or hotels as isolation centres or to support social distancing;
- rental assistance such as funding for rent arrears and short-term housing allowances;
- transportation costs;
- food and supplies;
- enhanced cleaning services;
- non-medical staffing requirements (e.g., enhanced outreach services);
- personal protective equipment; and,
- minor retrofits, alterations and repairs under \$50,000.

More broadly, this funding could also be used towards initiatives delivered through local service agencies like:

- rent bank and emergency energy funds;
- food banks and grocery gift cards;
- community outreach to support vulnerable populations in self-isolation;
- transportation for low-income individuals to get to and from medical appointments; and,
- funding administration needs, including staffing.

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All eligible operating expenses must be spent by March 31, 2022. Service Managers must consider how enhanced supports and services offered through the SSRF will be phased out or continued through other funding sources as the SSRF Phase 4 ends on March 31, 2022. Funding under the SSRF Phase 4 capital components must be committed by December 31, 2021 and must be completed by March 31, 2023.

SSRF4 funding will largely address existing commitments made to date up until March 31, 2022, as outlined in Report HSC20020(c) Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 3, and will contribute to ensuring an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry and a transition to a more responsive, resilient, sustainable and housing-focused homeless-serving system in alignment with the outcomes and strategies within Hamilton's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan. Items that SSRF4 will continue to address include: additional shelter capacity within hotel overflow; enhancements to the women's emergency shelter system; continuation of COVID-19 related supports for the homeless-serving system; expansion of drop-in services; continuation of operation of COVID-19 isolation services for people experiencing homelessness, etc.

Enhancements to COCHI will continue to provide an opportunity for the City of Hamilton and housing providers to address the challenges associated with projects reaching the end of their operating agreements and/or mortgage maturity. Significant challenges remain in terms of maintaining this important supply of community housing and the additional COCHI allocation will continue to support the needs identified in Hamilton's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan.

Authorization of the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, to enter into and execute an agreement with the MMAH for SSRF4 and COCHI is recommended to facilitate the acceptance and quick distribution of funding from the MMAH, which is critical to Hamilton's COVID-19 ongoing response related to housing and emergency shelter services.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

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Appendix "A" to Report (HSC20036(b)): MMAH SSRF Phase 4 and additional COCHI
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August 16, 2021

Fred Eisenberger
Mayor, City of Hamilton
City Hall 71 Main Street West, 2nd Floor
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Dear Fred Eisenberger:

I am pleased to be writing to you today with important details regarding an additional investment of \$307 million we are making available through the fourth and final phase of the province's Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) and through the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI).

As you know, protecting the health and well-being of Ontarians has always been our government's number one priority throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. We have made several difficult decisions to safeguard Ontarians, including public health and workplace safety measures made in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and other healthcare experts.

As well, we have announced multiple investments totalling \$765 million to support Ontario's Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators through three iterations of the province's SSRF, and other provincial investments to support those suffering from mental health and addictions issues and to support isolation centre capacity in select municipalities. We know that this funding has been effective in supporting Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators to respond quickly, adapt services, and address the housing and economic impacts of COVID-19 in their communities.

Building on these investments, our government is pleased to announce an additional **\$307 million** to Ontario's municipal and Indigenous partners.

Under the fourth and final phase of the SSRF, **\$286.4 million** will be provided in additional one-time operating and capital funding, bringing the government's total SSRF investment to just over \$1 billion. This final phase of SSRF funding will enable Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators to continue to support the vital services that were established to address the impacts of COVID-19 on vulnerable

Ontarians, while ensuring an orderly winddown of provincial supports as the SSRF comes to an end.

Under the "SSRF Phase 4", I am pleased to confirm that the City of Hamilton will receive an additional **\$13,823,000** in provincial funding for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Under the COCHI program, our government has also approved the release of up to an additional **\$21 million**. This funding will support community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock.

Under COCHI, I am pleased to also announce an additional funding allocation in the amount of **\$1,028,000** to the City of Hamilton for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Program Details – Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4

This funding supports operating and capital expenses to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector. Funding is to be used by Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators for eligible expenses (in accordance with the enclosed Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 Program Guidelines) beginning April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

The objectives for SSRF Phase 4 as are follows:

1. **Mitigate ongoing risk for vulnerable people, especially in congregate care settings:**
 - Where appropriate, support changes to the physical design of congregate spaces, permit physical distancing and other modifications based on public health guidance; and
 - Provide ongoing services and supports to address immediate pandemic needs of vulnerable people.
2. **Encourage longer-term housing-based solutions to homelessness post-COVID-19:**
 - Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators are encouraged to use funding in ways that create longer-term housing solutions, move towards client service models that are innovative, and support client and organizational readiness for potential future outbreaks or emergencies.
3. **Enhance rent assistance provided to households in rent arrears due to COVID-19:**
 - Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators are encouraged to consider using funding to support renter households who may be in rental arrears and at a high risk of becoming homeless.
4. **Ensure an orderly wind-down of SSRF-funded supports prior to program expiry on March 31, 2022:**

- Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators must outline a plan for the winddown of SSRF-funded supports and services as part of their SSRF Phase 4 Investment and Winddown Plan.

Of the additional funding, Service Managers and Indigenous Program Administrators may also use up to three per cent of their allocation for program administration costs, consistent with the approach under the SSRF Phase 2 and 3.

This amendment forms part of your Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) Service Manager Service Agreement effective January 1, 2013 with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing ("Service Agreement") and any breach of any of the terms of the amendment shall constitute an Event of Default under the Service Agreement. All other provisions, including Section 17 – Audits and Reviews, of the Service Agreement remain in full force and effect.

Reporting Requirements – SSRF Phase 4

Reporting requirements for the fourth and final phase of the SSRF will be consistent with the current high-level CHPI reporting. However, these requirements will be augmented with monthly reporting to the Ministry. As well, Service Managers will be required to provide specific examples on the use of SSRF Phase 4 funding from time-to-time to demonstrate effectiveness of the investment.

To receive these additional SSRF Phase 4 funds, you are required to complete and submit the sign-back section of this letter and the enclosed Investment and Winddown Plan to demonstrate how your funding allocations would be used to achieve the objectives of the program and to support the winddown of SSRF-funded supports and services. Please return this back to the Ministry by **September 15, 2021**.

You may submit your signed confirmation and Investment and Winddown Plan via e-mail to your respective Team Lead, Regional Housing Services.

Upon receipt of the sign-back and Investment and Winddown Plan, the Ministry will confirm and communicate its approval of your SSRF Phase 4 allocation, and will proceed to initiate your first operating payment based on your cash flow requirements as outlined in your Investment and Winddown Plan.

The Ministry requires that all information set out in this letter regarding SSRF Phase 4 be held confidential until publicly announced by the province. The province will have sole responsibility for the initial public communication regarding the SSRF Phase 4 funding described in this letter.

After the initial public communication by the province, as with all provincial housing programs that provide funding, Service Managers must acknowledge support of the province in a form and manner as directed by the Ministry. While

we understand these exciting funding opportunities are often met with anticipation by residents and community agencies, these communication protocols have been agreed to by Service Managers. If you wish to make an announcement of funding, I would like to remind you that you are required to notify your municipal services office well in advance for consideration by the province.

Program Details – Additional 2021-22 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Funding

To help sustain, repair and grow the community housing sector, our government introduced the Community Housing Renewal Strategy in 2019. Under this strategy and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we allocated almost \$1.8 billion to the sector in 2020-21, and project to invest up to \$1.3 billion in 2021-22.

Despite these investments, we recognize there are continued challenges faced by community housing providers across Ontario, including the state of repair of the legacy social housing stock.

A key program to support our community housing providers has been the COCHI program. As noted above, I am pleased to announce an additional funding allocation of **\$1,028,000** under COCHI for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

This funding is in addition to the 2021-22 COCHI allocation of \$2,784,784 that was communicated to you through the Ministry's letter dated May 6, 2021, bringing your total 2021-22 funding for COCHI to **\$3,812,784**.

All conditions of funding as communicated through the COCHI/OPHI Program Guidelines and our above referred letter remain the same, including the requirement to report municipal social housing expenditures that match the total annual COCHI allocation provided.

To receive these additional COCHI funds, you are required to complete and submit the enclosed Investment Plan (Appendix "D") that should reflect a sound financial plan and forecast of expenditures by program component. Please refer to the Ministry's COCHI/OPHI Program Guidelines for details about eligible program expenses, program administration fees, and key dates.

Also enclosed is an amendment to the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the COCHI/OPHI programs signed with the City of Hamilton to include the additional funding allocation. You are required to sign the enclosed amending agreement and return it to the Ministry to confirm your agreement to the terms and conditions of the additional COCHI funding.

Please return your signed amending agreement and Investment Plan via e-mail to your respective Team Lead, Regional Housing Services by **September 15, 2021**.

The Ministry requires that this additional COCHI funding be held confidential until publicly announced by the province.

Again, protecting the health and well-being of all Ontarians continues to be the government's number one priority. We sincerely appreciate your efforts to assist vulnerable people in your communities and I look forward to continuing to work together as we move forward with recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yours truly,



The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Enclosures

- c. Janette Smith, Chief Administrative Officer
- Edward John, Director of Housing Services
- Ian Russell, Team Lead, Municipal Services Office

The undersigned agrees to the terms of the above letter and to comply with the **Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4 Program Guidelines**.

Service Manager: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date:

I/We have authority to bind the organization.

Appendix "A"

Program Guidelines – Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4

Please see attached.

Appendix "B"

SSRF Phase 4 Investment and Winddown Plan

Please see attached.

Appendix "C"

**Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Amending Agreement for
Additional 2021-22 Funding**

Please see attached.

Appendix "D"

**2021-22 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) Additional
Funding Investment Plan**

Please see attached.



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 9, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Encampment Response Update (PED21188/HSC20038(c)) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Monica Ciriello (905) 546-2424 Ext. 5809 Edward John (905) 546-2424 Ext. 4860
SUBMITTED BY: SIGNATURE:	Jason Thorne General Manager Planning and Economic Development Department
SUBMITTED BY: SIGNATURE:	Grace Mater General Manger Healthy and Safe Communities Department

COUNCIL DIRECTION

At its August 9, 2021 meeting, Council approved the repealing of the By-law Enforcement Protocol that permitted some individuals to camp in public spaces for up to 14 days. Further to that decision and the three-week winddown associated with it, as of August 30, 2021, the City returned to pre-protocol enforcement of City by-laws that prohibit camping on City property, including park areas.

INFORMATION

The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted and exacerbated ongoing systemic challenges and inequities across Canada as it relates to housing and homelessness. This has been demonstrated by the rise in, and visibility of, unsheltered homelessness and encampments throughout many Canadian cities. Person-centred strategies and approaches are required to address urgent issues associated with supporting residents

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experiencing homelessness and living in encampments, while supporting long-term adequate housing solutions and broader community needs.

Encampment Process

With the repealing of the By-law Enforcement Protocol, staff will proceed with the following Encampment Process:

Step one

Complaints are received by Municipal Law Enforcement (MLE) regarding structures/tents in parks, road allowance and private property.

Step two

MLE attends, determines if there is a violation of a City By-law including the Parks Bylaw, seeks voluntary compliance and notifies Housing Outreach.

Step three

Housing Focused Street Outreach attends site and carries out the following:

- Work from Housing Focused Street Outreach framework and within the context of Hamilton's Homeless Coordinated Access System
- Support individuals, families and groups, in order to promote connection to shelter, housing and the achievement of their optimal health and well-being
- Collaborative development of housing and service plans
- Assist individuals with obtaining necessary documents needed to obtain housing, including the completion of supportive and subsidized housing applications
- Collaborate and co-ordinate services with appropriate community and health agencies
- Crisis intervention
- Provide a summary of these actions (omitting any privileged and confidential information) in the form of an encampment assessment checklist to MLE pursuant to their request

Step four

MLE re-attends and issues a verbal trespass notice and notifies Hamilton Police Service (HPS).

Step five

Hamilton Police Service responds under the *Trespass to Property Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. T.21

Step six

Park and Waste Divisions are contacted to coordinate a clean up.

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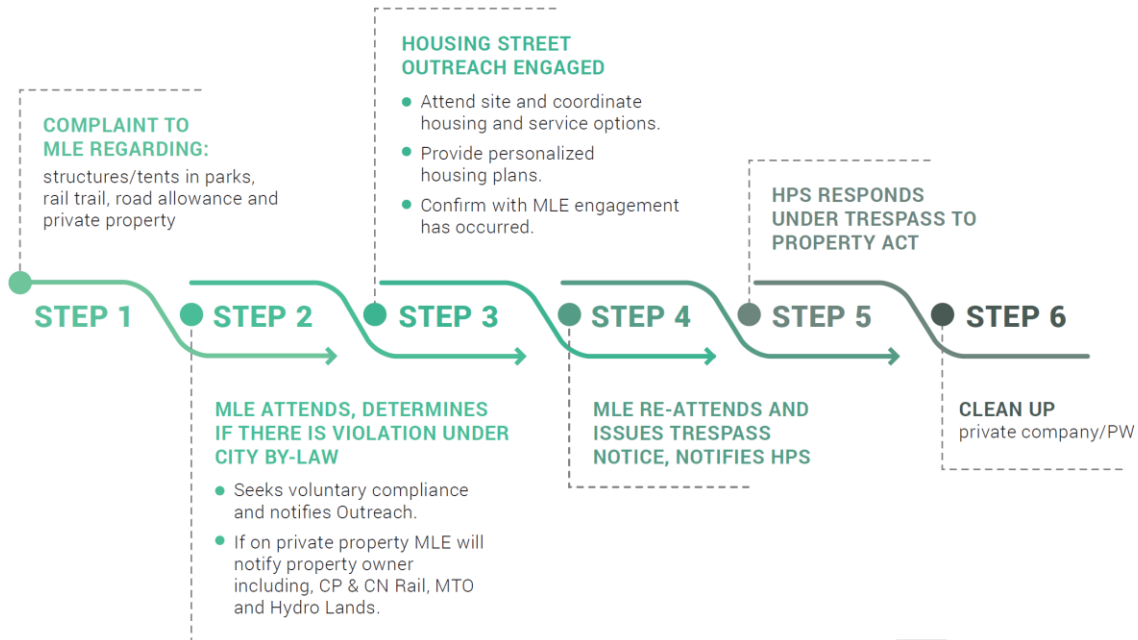
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Table 1

Encampment PROCESS MAP



Encampment Response

The City of Hamilton's Licensing and Bylaw Services Division will be the first point of contact for complaints regarding structures and tents in parks, road allowances and private property. MLE Officers will attend to determine if there is a City Bylaw, including the Parks By-law 01-291 violation, which prohibits camping on City property, including park areas. MLE Officers will be responding to complaints proactively Monday to Friday and reactively on weekends along with other COVID-19 By-law and Provincial Regulation priorities. MLE Officers will attend, provide education and seek voluntary compliance under the City Bylaw, ticketing those who are unsheltered will not be a course of action. If determined to be private property, MLE Officers will notify the property owner, including CP & CN Rail and MTO. If voluntary compliance is not achieved, MLE Officers will reach out to the Street Outreach team within the Housing Services Division and the Social Navigator Program.

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The Housing Focused Street Outreach team will, if not already, attend the site and engage with those individuals currently unsheltered. Outreach will endeavor to provide an update summary of the site including identifying potential opportunities for connection to services and housing for those individuals, assess their needs and update MLE of the actions that have occurred.

MLE Officers will re-attend the location and, a verbal trespass notice would be issued to those contravening the bylaw. MLE will contact the Hamilton Police Service as the *Trespass to Property Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. T.21 is a Provincial Act enforced by HPS. The City will continue to collaborate with HPS and the Social Navigator with regard to the service pathway. The last step will be to contact the Public Works Department (Parks, Streets, Waste Management) to coordinate a clean up.

Following the Council decision to repeal the By-law Enforcement Protocol, the City of Hamilton's Housing Services Division remains focused on supporting individuals experiencing homelessness in securing safe and affordable housing, by continuing to take an individualized approach to connect them to available supports.

Housing Services' Housing Focused Street Outreach Team connects with unsheltered individuals, regardless of their circumstances, to assess their immediate needs and housing preferences. The team completes common consent and intake forms for individuals not yet on the City's By-Name List (BNL), supports with benefit applications, unit viewings, harm reduction supplies, connections and referrals. As part of the City's homeless-servicing system, Outreach uses a shared system-wide database to stay connected to residents in encampments and outside of encampments in areas such as alleys, vacant lands, etc. Outreach services are provided to unsheltered residents across the geographic area of Hamilton Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. On a daily basis, the team undertakes progressive engagement to offer shelter or other available (and appropriate) space, works with individuals to find safe and supportive housing options, and works to address any barriers including a referral to our health partners.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, emergency shelter capacity has been expanded; however, occupancy pressures exist, particularly for women. Challenges remain in the access to available beds and in a number of instances capacity is not available. For example, length of stay in shelters has increased significantly during the pandemic and, with factors such as unaffordable costs of rent, housing availability has not kept pace with demand. Longer stays impact shelter bed turnover frequency, thus reducing the capacity of shelters to serve a higher volume of individuals. Outbreak status, availability of appropriate supports, staff turnover, shortages and burnout further impact the responsiveness of the system. When a move from encampment to emergency shelter occurs, the City of Hamilton recognizes that this remains a temporary measure of accommodation until safe, secure and adequate housing is secured.

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For individuals for whom emergency shelters are not an option, Housing Services' Outreach Team supports connection to health partners, works to address issues related to service restrictions, and continues progressive engagement towards accepting housing assistance. The City of Hamilton funds numerous agencies to assist in the housing of homeless individuals through funding streams such as the Federal Reaching Home program. City staff monitor, advise and assist these agencies in meeting predetermined targets through the homeless-serving sector's coordinated access system. From January 2020 to present, approximately 440 individuals and families have been housed by agencies funded by the City. Of the approximately 440 households housed, this includes people who have been unsheltered at one point during that time period. Since March 2020, more than 70 individuals were housed directly from encampments.

Outreach staff engage with every individual from a rights-based approach, ensuring dignity and confidentiality is maintained. On an ongoing basis, both Housing Services and agency staff work from a person-centred approach to engage with individuals in order to refer and make connections to appropriate support and resources. Referrals may include Intensive Case Management, Rapid Rehousing, Transitional or permanent supportive housing programs, in addition to housing affordability benefits, depending on individuals' needs, preferences and available resources. Increased engagement for the direct purpose of assessing effectiveness of approaches and appropriateness of available resources will continue to inform potential changes or adaptations to service and supports over time.

Coming Together to End Homelessness: Hamilton's Systems Planning Framework outlines a strategic local approach to preventing and ending homelessness, which must account for the systemic over-representation of Indigenous persons experiencing homelessness. The City is committed to ongoing coordination with Hamilton's Urban Indigenous Community to ensure that approaches to service coordination and provision are culturally appropriate, safe and built on principles of relationship, trust and informed consent. This includes ongoing discussion to achieve equitable access to resources including, for example, housing affordability benefits as they become available to support unsheltered individuals who identify as Indigenous. Through ongoing dialogue with the Indigenous community, the City aims to ensure appropriate referrals are consistently made from mainstream supports to Indigenous agencies, including at intake by City outreach staff.

The City continues to commit to permanent housing solutions by implementing increased prioritization of those in encampments for permanent housing and intensive case management support programs while continuing multi-sectoral discussions to enhance permanent housing with supports options. From September to December 2021, Housing Services Division, together with partner agencies, will undertake a

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housing campaign to maximize resources and collaboration to house 250 households experiencing homelessness.

Health and Safety Concerns

Due to the vulnerability and transience of encampment populations, health and safety concerns are present for both residents and City staff. COVID-19 exposure, verbal and sometimes physical aggressions have been noted at various sites. MLE Officers are not trained in outreach or mental health engagement techniques and therefore cannot offer support to address health and safety for encampment residents. This fact extends to include staff themselves, who navigate a challenging array of health and safety concerns when carrying out their duties. For example, Waste management staff have received numerous negative comments, which may be perceived as threats from residents, activists, advocates and the general public. Staff have been videotaped with postings on social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook. Staff have been called repeatedly at all hours on their cell phone. In one instance a staff member was assaulted during clean up, resulting in injuries to the worker and charges being laid by Hamilton Police Service. As a result, the injured employee has yet to return to work.

There is a steady increase of incidents involving the Hamilton Fire Department and the Hamilton Police Service. Where emergency service response is needed, the City will respond swiftly with staff health and safety supports. Healthy and Safe Communities Department staff are better able to flag resident health and safety concerns to the appropriate support services for timely resolution.

The professional skillset required of Housing Service's Outreach staff facilitates mitigation of challenging behaviours, circumstances and establishment of positive rapport. Staff have been trained in non-violent crisis intervention, work only in pairs and are in constant communication with each other.

Budgetary Implications

Costs vary site to site; while staff time is not itemized by site, typical contractor costs for waste management average \$15 K. Across all encampments, average monthly security costs have been approximately \$23 K from October 2020 to July 2021.

Licensing and By-law Services

Council may direct Licensing and Bylaw Services (LBS) to enforce 7 days a week, inclusive of evenings and weekends. To oversee and coordinate the MLE officer response for encampments 7 days a week LBS requires 1 temporary FTE By-law Clerk at a cost of \$26, 162 and 1 temporary FTE MLE Officer at a cost of \$30, 795 from the date of Council approval to December 31, 2021. These staff will assist in the collection of

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weekly stats on complaints received, locations of encampments, determine priority locations in collaboration with others on the Encampment Response Team, provide status updates as to the step each encampment site is in throughout the City. MLE Officers will be attending encampment sites in pairs, and one additional temporary FTE MLE Officer will allow for a timely proactive and reactive response to each encampment site 7 days a week. The Bylaw Clerk will provide administrative support to the MLE Officers and will ensure all tracking, scheduling, monitoring, entering areas of concern, preparation of orders, and dispatch to this team 7 days a week. The total cost would be \$56,958.

Emergency Services Responses

The Hamilton Fire Department has attended to an increasing number of incidents involving encampments and individuals experiencing homelessness over the last three years (54 incidents in 2019, 82 incidents in 2020, and 101 incidents to date in 2021). The majority of incidents in 2021 to date have involved burning (controlled) and property fires/explosion.

Hamilton Paramedic Service responded to 55 encampment related calls in four parks from October 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021. There has been a steady increase in paramedic service response to encampments in City parks in 2021, ranging from two in January to 15 in August.

The Hamilton Police Service indicated there were 502 events from October 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 related to six known encampment locations, but not necessarily due to the presence of an encampment. These incidents include events related to trespassing, assist (ambulance & fire), and other events requiring police service response (i.e. assault, harassment, protests, etc.)

Government Outreach

There remains an ongoing need to align provincial health and housing and homelessness investments to enable service managers to provide permanent housing with supports for high acuity chronically homeless individuals living in shelters and encampments. Strategic investment and partnership between Ontario Health West and City of Hamilton can demonstrably reduce chronic homelessness in Hamilton and the reliance on emergency hospital resources for those with the most complex, co-occurring needs.

Staff are actively pursuing funding opportunities from higher levels of government to address these needs. Specifically, the Ministry of Health (Ontario), Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (Ontario) in addition to the equivalent Ministries federally such as Health, Housing,

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Infrastructure and Communities, and Families, Children and Social Development. Staff have proposed a pilot project to the Government of Ontario in order to address the needs of high-acuity individuals in Hamilton, this pilot outlines the resources required to take immediate action.

The proposed pilot would include 40 new units of supportive housing to address the needs of higher acuity individuals and continuing existing outreach activities will address needs in a new and improved way. The total funding necessary to undertake this development is \$2,440,000. The request for on-going provincial operational funding is \$1,940,000.

Staff have been using forums like the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Ontario Big City Mayors, of which Hamilton is a member, to further advocacy and align objectives in voicing our concerns about the lack of funding from higher levels of government to address these immediate needs. AMO, FCM and Ontario Big City Mayors are focused on improving supports for mental health. Ontario Big City Mayors has provided recommendations to support and complement the Province's Road to Wellness plan which seeks to improve mental health and addictions services across Ontario. The proposed recommendations and desire to collaborate demonstrate the need for municipalities to work with other levels of government and local service providers to ensure residents can access the help they need, where and when they need it.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None

CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

Emergency and Community Services: September 9, 2021

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. CLARK
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR**

Youth Violent Crimes

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is experiencing several incidents of gun violence across the City;

WHEREAS, it has been reported in the Hamilton Police Services 2020 Youth Services Annual Report that there has been a decrease in youth violent crimes compared to 2019, it is recognized that this is still a serious issue in the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, Hamilton Police have indicated that the vast majority of youth violent crimes are targeted; and,

WHEREAS, residents have expressed concern about the risk of injury to innocent bystanders;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- a) That staff from Healthy and Safe Communities Department be directed to review projects like Operation Ceasefire and other holistic community responses, that were designed to deter youth from joining gangs and holding guns;
- b) That staff be directed to engage youth to inform the process and partner together to address the issues that are driving our youth to guns and gangs;
- c) That staff invite the Ontario Solicitor General, Hamilton Police, youth workers, clergy, criminal justice practitioners, and other experts to identify solutions to create a city-wide action plan response to guns and gangs in our community;
- d) That staff be directed to include a city-wide action plan response to guns and gangs in our community through Hamilton’s Youth Strategy;
- e) That staff be directed to share any data specific to guns, gangs and violence through our 2021 re-engagement for the Youth Strategy; and,
- f) That the city-wide action plan response to guns and gangs in our community be created in collaboration with and incorporated into Hamilton’s Community Safety and Well-Being Plan under the priority of violence.