

City of Hamilton AUDIT, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

Meeting #: 23-004

Date: March 23, 2023

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Tamara Bates, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 4102

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

*8.3 Mundialization Committee - Annual Report

14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

*14.2 Committee Report

Discussion of Item 14.2, pursuant to Section 9.3, Sub-section (b) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City or local board employees.





- ▶ The **Hamilton Mundialization Committee** (HMC) is a council mandated advisory committee of the City of Hamilton.
- ▶ The **mundialization** movement was born in **Hiroshima**, **Japan** in 1945. The surviving citizens of this city devastated by the world's first atomic bomb signified their resolve to work for a world federation which would make forever impossible a repetition of the tragedy which their city had undergone.
- On May 8, 1968, the City of Hamilton, by a resolution of Council, and witnessed by the Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations, was declared a World (Mundialized) City.



The purpose of the Committee shall be:

- ▶ to promote Hamilton as "A World (Mundialized) City" dedicated to global awareness, international cooperation and world law
- to further the work of the United Nations through publicity and education and to have the United Nations flag flown with the Canadian flag at City Hall at all times
- to undertake twinning programs in international cooperation with likeminded municipalities in this and other countries to foster an understanding of the increasing interdependence of the municipalities, peoples and countries of the world
- to involve Hamilton citizens of different cultures, especially those from the countries of our sister communities, to share in our multicultural programs
- to include representatives from City Council in the Committee for implementing the above programs.



Who are we (Term: 2018-2022)

- Anthony Macaluso, Chair
- Rosemary Baptista, Vice Chair
- ▶ Rein Ende
- ▶ Jan Lukas
- Robert Semkow
- Patricia Semkow
- Clr. Arlene VanderBeek (City Council Representative)
- Mayor Fred Eisenberger (Honorary Member)



- OUR TEN TWIN CITIES:
- ► SHAWINIGAN, QC, CANADA (1958)



- Initiated by Mayor Lloyd Jackson and Shawinigan's mayor, after a Canadian municipalities conference, where such French-English twinnings were encouraged
- ► KAGA, JAPAN (1968)



- ▶ Initiated through the former town of Dundas. We continue an exchange program, sending students to each other's community annually.
- ► MANGALORE, INDIA (1968)



Initiated by Hamilton residents from Mangalore approached thenmayor Vic Copps.



► FUKUYAMA, JAPAN (1976)



▶ Initiated by Hamilton residents from Japan who approached thenmayor Vic Copps.



- ► RACALMUTO, SICILY, ITALY(1986)
 - ▶ Initiated by Hamilton residents from Racalmuto who approached thenmayor Robert Morrow. Nearly 30,000 Hamiltonians trace their ancestry to this town!
- MA'ANSHAN, CHINA (1987)



▶ Initiated when many Canadian cities were twinning with China. Some Hamilton business ties.



► FLINT, MICHIGAN, USA (1987)



- ▶ Initiated and influenced by Flint & Hamilton's annual CANUSA Games
- ► SARASOTA, FLORIDA, USA (1991)



Initiated by the city of Sarasota



- ► VALLE PELIGNA, ABRUZZO, ITALY(1990)
 - Initiated by Hamilton residents from Abruzzo. First with town of Gagliano, now includes several nearby towns.



► MONTERREY, MEXICO (1993)



▶ Initiated by the city of Hamilton as a result of connections in the Steel industry.



MUNDIALIZATION ACTIVITIES:

- ▶ BI-ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST
- ▶ BI-ANNUAL WORLD CITIZENSHIP AWARD
- ► CULTURAL EXCHANGES
- ► STUDENT EXCHANGES
- DISPLAYS AND COMMEMORATIONS
- ► HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI MEMORIAL



WHERE WE WANT TO GO AND/OR CONTINUE TO DO:

- PROMOTE TWIN-CITY INITIATIVES
- ► PARTNER WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPORT PEACE INITIATIVES
- CELEBRATE THE DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITY
- SUPPORT THE GREAT WORK OF OTHER COMMITTEES AND LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITES FOR SYNERGY
- ▶ BE OPEN TO ANY AND ALL IDEAS THAT AIM TO HELP BETTER OUR COMMUNITY FOR ALL