



**City of Hamilton**  
**EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**AGENDA**

**Meeting #:** 24-003  
**Date:** April 18, 2024  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

Loren Kolar, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2604

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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 February 8, 2024
5. **COMMUNICATIONS**
6. **DELEGATION REQUESTS**
7. **DELEGATIONS**
8. **STAFF PRESENTATIONS**
9. **CONSENT ITEMS**
10. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

10.1 Community Safety and Well-Being Situation Table (HSC24006) (City Wide)

**11. MOTIONS**

11.1 Queen Victoria Elementary School Nutrition Program (Ward 2)

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS**

**14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**



## EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 24-002

1:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 8, 2024

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Councillor A. Wilson (Chair), Councillors B. Clark, T. Hwang, T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch (Vice-Chair), N. Nann, and M. Wilson

**Absent with**

**Regrets:** Councillors T. Jackson and B. Clark - Personal

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

1. **Renewal of Beasley Community Centre Operating Agreement (CS13018(d)) (Ward 2) (Item 10.2)**

**(Kroetsch/Hwang)**

- (a) That the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of the Beasley Community Centres from September 30, 2018, to December 31, 2023 be renewed for an additional ***two year period until December 31, 2026;***
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be authorized and directed to execute the renewal of the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of Beasley Community Centres, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (c) That the funding provided to Wesley Urban Ministries by the City of Hamilton, Recreation Division as part of the Operating agreement of Beasley Community Centres increase by three (3) percent each year as part of the annual budget cycle;
- (d) ***That staff report back in Q3 2024 to the Emergency and Community Services Committee, on the following:***

- (i) ***All City of Hamilton recreation facilities which have third party operators, including location, types of services being provided, partnership benefits, and the risks associated with these relationships;***
  - (ii) ***Agreement inclusions to mitigate risks and potential to transfer governmental funding to a new operator should an organization withdraw services;***
  - (iii) ***Actual costs to operate the Beasley Community Centre compared to funding provided; and***
- (e) ***That staff be directed to facilitate conversations with the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board to understand the need for locked access and what can be put in place to ensure the community can access freely and reduce financial costs to operate.***

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

ABSENT	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

## **2. Updates to the Emergency Plan (HSC22001(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

### **(Nann/M. Wilson)**

That the by-law attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC22001(b) which amends the City of Hamilton Emergency Management Program By-law (By-law 22-005) and repeals last year's amending by-law 23-033, and which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted and effective immediately.

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

ABSENT	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

**3. 2024 Frostbites Festival - Celebrating Community-Building in Ward 3  
(Added Item 11.1)****(Nann/M. Wilson)**

WHEREAS, Frost Bites, now in its 8th year, Frost Bites returns to Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre in Ward 3 as a one-week community-embedded festival inspiring residents to engage in free public events that build connections and celebrate community-building in Ward 3 and across the city while activating public spaces;

WHEREAS, Frost Bites is exemplary of winter community programming for all ages that radically reimagines a performing arts festival with a grass-roots creation approach, while showcasing live Indigenous music, participatory storytelling sessions in English & French, indoor and outdoor activities,

WHEREAS, Frost Bites has a history of activating and illuminating community spaces in Ward 3 along Barton St through a unique lineup of performances and activities, including at the Westinghouse, 541 Café & Eatery, and at the Cotton Factory, and will once again use the Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre as the festival hub in 2024 for all residents to enjoy;

WHEREAS, Frost Bites has connected and formed partnerships with a diversity of community organizations in Ward 3, including the Afro-Caribbean Canadian Association, Hamilton Aerial Group, L'Arche, the Immigrant Working Centre, Centre Francophone, Indigenous consultants, and Keeping Six to ensure that programming is developed by and for the community, while also informing the community;

WHEREAS, the Frost Bites festival is organized in part by Ward 3 residents, features artists and performers from Ward 3, and will provide resiliency to the local community in a recovery framework by building community connections, supporting arts, developing skill sets and highlighting a facility with a variety of beneficial programming; and

WHEREAS, the Ward 3 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account is at the discretion of the Ward 3 Councillor's Office and has been used to empower resident-led initiatives that benefit the local community and harness resilience and belonging in Ward 3.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (a) That \$2500 be allocated from the Ward 3 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account 3301609603 to the Hamilton Festival Theatre Company as the fiscal sponsor for the Frost Bites Festival; and
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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

ABSENT	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

- 12.1 2024 Frostbites Festival - Celebrating community-building in Ward 3 (A request to waive the rules will be introduced)
- 12.2 Development of a Policy for the Use of Indigenous Images and Themes in City of Hamilton Facilities

**13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS**

- 13.1 Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

**(Hwang/Nann)**

That the agenda for the February 8, 2024 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

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

ABSENT	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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

**(i) January 18, 2024 (Item 4.1)**

**(M. Wilson/Kroetsch)**

That the Minutes of the January 18, 2024 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee, be approved, as presented.

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

ABSENT	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

**(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

**(i) Renewal of Beasley Community Centre Operating Agreement (CS13018(d)) (Ward 2) (Item 10.2)**

**(Kroetsch/Hwang)**

- (a) That the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of the Beasley Community Centres from September 30, 2018, to December 31, 2023 be renewed for an additional five years until December 31, 2028, with an option for one two-year;
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be authorized and directed to execute the renewal of the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of Beasley Community Centres, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (c) That the funding provided to Wesley Urban Ministries by the City of Hamilton, Recreation Division as part of the Operating agreement of Beasley Community Centres increase by three (3) percent each year as part of the annual budget cycle;

**(Kroetsch/Nann)**

That the recommendations in Report CS13018(d), respecting a Renewal of Beasley Community Centre Operating Agreement, **be amended** as follows:

- (a) That the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of the Beasley Community Centres from September 30, 2018, to December 31, 2023 be renewed for ~~five years until December 31, 2028, with an option for one two-year extension two year period until December 31, 2026;~~
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be authorized and directed to execute the renewal of the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries for the operation of Beasley Community Centres, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (c) That the funding provided to Wesley Urban Ministries by the City of Hamilton, Recreation Division as part of the Operating agreement of Beasley Community Centres increase by three (3) percent each year as part of the annual budget cycle;
- (d) ***That staff report back in Q3 2024 to the Emergency and Community Services Committee, on the following:***
- (i) ***All City of Hamilton recreation facilities which have third party operators, including location, types of services being provided, partnership benefits, and the risks associated with these relationships;***
- (ii) ***Agreement inclusions to mitigate risks and potential to transfer governmental funding to a new operator should an organization withdraw services;***
- (iii) ***Actual costs to operate the Beasley Community Centre compared to funding provided; and***
- (e) ***That staff be directed to facilitate conversations with the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board to understand the need for locked access and what can be put in place to ensure the community can access freely and reduce financial costs to operate.***

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

ABSENT	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

For further disposition, refer to Item 1.

**(e) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 12)**

**(i) 2024 Frostbites Festival - Celebrating community-building in Ward 3  
(Added Item 12.1)**

**(Nann/M. Wilson)**

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting the 2023 Frost Bites Festival – Celebrating community-building in Ward 3.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3 Majority vote of 5 to 0, as follows:**

ABSENT	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

Councillor Hwang introduced the following Notice of Motion:

**(ii) Development of a Policy for the Use of Indigenous Images and Themes in City of Hamilton Facilities (Added Item 12.2)**

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is situated on the traditional territory of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas, and that this land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes, and that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is 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;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Urban Indigenous Strategy identified the need to do more to visually represent the historic and continuing presence of Indigenous peoples and recognized that Indigenous cultures and traditions need to be respected and seen as more than a performance;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Hamilton Urban Indigenous Strategy, Indigenous people, inclusive of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit, must be involved in decision-making in municipal activities that affect them, and that consultation with urban Indigenous people and communities must be meaningful;

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2019, the Mayor of the City of Hamilton received correspondence from the Ontario Human Rights Commission through Chief Commissioner Renu Mandhane regarding a settlement reached in an Application before the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario involving the City of Mississauga, and as a result of the settlement, the Ontario Human Rights Commission wrote to all Ontario municipalities to encourage them to collaborate with local Indigenous communities to develop a policy on the use of Indigenous themed logos and names within their sports facilities; and

WHEREAS, City Council approved the Use of Indigenous Images/Themes in City Sports & Recreation Facilities Policy on January 24, 2024, but that a similar policy does not exist for all indoor and outdoor facilities under the jurisdiction of the City of Hamilton.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee by the end of Q2 2024, with a culturally appropriate policy for the use of Indigenous images and themes in indoor and outdoor facilities under the jurisdiction of the City of Hamilton;
- (b) That staff engage in meaningful consultation with the local Indigenous community to inform the development of this policy.

**(f) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)**

**(Kroetsch/A. Wilson)**

That the following amendments to the Emergency and Community Services Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

- (i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Added Item 13.1)
  - (a) Items to be removed (Item 13.1(a))

1. 23-D: Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012) (City Wide) - ECS 23-001, 19/01/23, Item 7

Addressed in Report HSC23012(a), September 7, 2023, ECS 23-011, Item 1

- (b) Items Referred to the General Issues Committee Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1(b)):

1. 22-C Shelter System Complaint Resolution Process - ECS 22-005, April 7/22, Item 3 (11.1)
2. 23-B Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters Site Options and Considerations (HSC22015(b)) (City Wide) - ECS 23-001, January 19, 2023, Item 6 (As amended by Council on January 25, 2023)
3. 23-C Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters Proposal – REVISED (HSC22015(a))(City Wide) (Deferred from the January 19, 2023 meeting) - ECS 23-002, February 16, 2023, Item 10.1
4. 23-G Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) Round 3 (HSC20056(c)) (Added Item 14.4) - Special Council Meeting, February 15, 2023
5. 23-K Renovictions Stakeholder Consultation (HSC23023) (City Wide) (Part Five) - ECS 23-005, April 20, 2023, Item 1
6. 23-P Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide)
7. 23-R Contractual Relationships With Landlords - ECS 23-010, August 17, 2023, Item (f)(ii)(a)

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

ABSENT	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

**(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)**

**(Hwang/Jackson)**

That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

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

ABSENT	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. Wilson, Chair  
Emergency and Community Services  
Committee

Loren Kolar  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk



**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT**  
**Children's and Community Services Division**

<b>TO:</b>	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	April 18, 2024
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	Community Safety and Well-Being Situation Table (HSC24006) (City Wide)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Kristy Tadeson (365) 323- 4985 Rachelle Ihekwoaba (905) 546-2424 Ext. 5909
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Jessica Chase Director, Children's and Community Services Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department
<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	<i>Jessica Chase</i>

### RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the City enter into a Collaboration and Information Sharing Agreement or Agreements with the Community Safety and Well-Being Situation Table participants in accordance with the terms and conditions described in this report; and,
- (b) That the City enter into a Risk-driven Tracking Database Agreement with His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Solicitor General (the "Ministry") in accordance with the terms and conditions described in this report; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or designate be authorized and directed to execute the Agreement(s) in recommendation (a), together with any amendments, renewals, or ancillary documents necessary, all in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (d) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or designate be authorized and directed to execute the Agreement in recommendation (b), together with any amendments, renewals, or ancillary documents necessary, all in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In June 2021, the Emergency and Community Services Committee approved Hamilton's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (HSC19032(a)). The plan aims to ensure all residents in the community feel safe, have a sense of belonging and can meet their needs for education, healthcare, food, housing, income, and social and cultural expression. In Hamilton, priorities include hate incidents, violence, mental health and stigmatization, substance use, homelessness and access to affordable housing and income.

In November 2022, a community consultation was held bringing together more than 110 participants, representing a wide range of sectors and organizations to learn more about Community Safety and Well-Being and provide an opportunity to inform what initiatives should be included in the 2023 Community Safety and Well-Being Implementation Plan. Of six key recommendations, the most prevalent suggestion from the community was the development of a Situation Table with a focus on supporting children and youth.

Situation tables are a forum that involves decision-makers from several organizations including health, social service, and public safety sectors to convene regularly and leverage community assets and relationships to rapidly connect clients living with acutely elevated risk to a holistic group of protective services to prevent a crisis and help clients to better manage and reduce the risk factors in their lives. Situation tables can have a variety of focus areas depending on the needs of a community.

To move forward, a Collaboration and Information Sharing Agreement is being developed in consultation with the City Solicitor to outline the roles and responsibilities of the parties involved and the required measures of accountability. Core participants of the Situation Table will be consulted in development of the agreement and each organization that participates as a core member of the table will be required to enter into the agreement. Additionally, the Ministry of the Solicitor General provides municipalities with access to a Risk-driven Tracking Database as a standardized means of gathering information without direct identifiers on situations of elevated risk for communities implementing multi-sectoral risk intervention models, such as a situation table. Upon approval, the City will enter into an agreement to collect data at the Situation Table through the Risk-driven Tracking Database.

The development of a Situation Table in Hamilton provides an opportunity for multisectoral organizations to come together to implement an upstream risk intervention and prevention initiative that will provide wraparound supports to children and families with the goal of improving their overall safety and well-being.

**Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable**

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**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Financial: Not Applicable

Staffing: Not Applicable

Legal: Legal Services are assisting with the preparation of a Collaboration and Information Sharing Agreement and are reviewing the Risk Driven Tracking Database Agreement from the Ministry of the Solicitor General to ensure it is in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

In 2019, the Emergency and Community Services Committee was notified of new legislative requirements for municipalities to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (HSC19032). In June 2021, the Emergency and Community Services Committee approved Hamilton's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (HSC19032(a)). This plan outlines a framework for collaborating with partners to promote the safety and well-being of all residents. The content within the plan was informed through data and evidence related to local risk factors and trends, as well as consultation with Hamilton residents, service providers and advisory committee members. The local priorities include hate incidents, violence, mental health and stigmatization, substance use, homelessness and access to affordable housing and income.

Hamilton's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan is overseen by an advisory committee, referred to as the System Leadership Table, which meets both legislative requirements and brings together various sectors' perspectives to provide strategic advice and direction to the City of Hamilton on the plan. The committee brings together partners from the health, social service, and public safety sectors.

A Situation Table Working Group comprised of partners from across various social service, health and public safety sectors was established in April 2023 to develop a model for Hamilton (Appendix A). Several components were consulted to inform the model for Hamilton including:

- Public Safety Canada's Hub Model/Situation Table Model<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Retrieved from: <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/cntrng-crm/crm-prvntn/nvntn/dtIs-en.aspx?i=10015> on January 22,2024.

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- Ministry of the Solicitor Generals' guidance document on Information Sharing in Multi-Sectoral Risk Intervention Models<sup>2</sup>
- Data from the Situation Table Working Group; and,
- Scan of existing local tables to ensure no duplication of mandates for the situation table.

Drawing on these important elements and in collaboration with community partners, a conceptual model has been developed. The focus area of the table for the pilot phase will include youth 8 to 14 years of age with acutely elevated risk and their families.

The “acutely elevated” nature of risk situations means that:

- Chronic conditions (like poverty, addictions and negative parenting) have accumulated to the point where a crisis is imminent.
- New circumstances have contributed to significantly increase chances of severe harm or victimization; and/or,
- The effort to mitigate risk and thus avoid harms exceeds the capacities of any one agency or even two agencies acting in partnership.

It is expected that the risk situations accessing the Situation Table will entail two or more risk factors and benefit from multiple human services organizations working together to improve outcomes.

Membership of the Situation Table will consist of representatives from a variety of sectors including health, social service, and the public safety sector and the Collaboration and Information Sharing agreement(s) that they will be required to enter into will be structured to allow membership to change as needed.

To support the operations of the Situation Table, the Risk-driven Tracking Database managed by the Ministry of the Solicitor General's Office will be utilized. The Risk-driven Tracking Database is a tool that helps communities collect information on local priorities such as agency and sector engagement, risks, vulnerable groups, protective factors and service availability and mobilization. A Risk-driven Tracking Database Agreement must be entered with His Majesty the King as represented by the Solicitor General before the City can access the database. Training and resources are provided for all new users of the database. The Ministry has implemented privacy and security measures to protect the information stored in the database.

The Situation Table will be a pilot that will run for 12 months from its inception. An evaluation will be completed, and recommendations will be made to determine if the

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<sup>2</sup> Retrieved from: <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/cntrng-crm/crm-prvntn/nvntr/dtls-en.aspx?i=10015> on January 22,2024

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Situation Table will continue to operate and/or if there are opportunities to develop additional tables to support other focus areas within the community. The anticipated timeline for implementation of the Situation Table is Q3 2024.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS**

All required policy and legislative requirements will be reviewed and adhered to in the execution of the agreements with guidance from the legal, privacy, and information technology business units.

**RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

Consultation has taken place with Legal, Privacy, Risk Management, and Information Technology who have provided input into this report. In addition, consultation was completed with community partners representing a variety of sectors during a Community Partner Workshop, with members of the Situation Table Working Group, Situation Table participants and the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

**ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The development of a Situation Table and the collection of information without direct identifiers will provide data to assist with informing the Community Safety and Well-Being priorities, support the development of policies and initiatives to address challenges of safety and well-being in our community and provide the provincial government with data to inform future funding to support Community Safety and Well-Being initiatives that will enhance public safety and well-being for all residents in Hamilton. The Situation Table will provide an opportunity to respond to several of the key priority areas identified in Hamilton's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan with the focus on risk intervention and prevention. Should the Collaboration and Information Sharing agreement not be endorsed the Situation Table will not move forward and the benefits for working in this collaborative model will not be realized.

**ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION**

Not Applicable

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

Appendix "A" to Report HSC24006: Community Safety and Well-Being Situation Table.

**Community Safety and Well Being Situation Table**

To date, the organizations listed below are members of the Situation Table Working Group:

- City of Hamilton (Children’s Services and Community Services, Public Health Services, Housing Services, and Ontario Works)
- Hamilton Health Sciences Corporation
- St. Joseph’s Health System
- Hamilton Police Services
- The John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington & Area
- Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board
- Hamilton Child and Family Supports
- Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg
- Centre de Sante Communautaire Hamilton-Niagara Inc.
- The Hamilton Young Women’s Christian Association
- The Good Shepherd Centre Hamilton
- Indwell Community Homes
- Lynnwood Charlton Centre

# CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Emergency & Community Services Committee - April 18, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH .....**  
**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR A. WILSON .....**

**Queen Victoria Elementary School Nutrition Program (Ward 2)**

WHEREAS, in 2023 funds from the Ward 2 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account (3301609602) were allocated to organizations that address poverty and food insecurity, including Compass Community Health, 541 Eatery & Exchange, and Helping Hands Street Mission;

WHEREAS, the Queen Victoria Elementary School Nutrition Program is a breakfast program run by the Hamilton Foundation for Student Success for students at Queen Victoria Elementary School in Ward 2;

WHEREAS, nearly 10% of children at Queen Victoria Elementary School experience food insecurity and receive food packages from Food4Kids Hamilton;

WHEREAS, the Queen Victoria Elementary School Nutrition Program received some support through Tastebuds Hamilton, Hamilton Bulldogs, PC Children’s Charity, Oakrun Farm Bakery, and other donors;

WHEREAS, the program costs \$1.00 per student for 580 students for 194 school days for a total of \$112,520.00 per school year;

WHEREAS, the Queen Victoria Elementary School Nutrition Program is trying to grow the program so that every child can be offered a meal without singling out those who need it more than others; and

WHEREAS, they are building a pool of volunteers to increase fundraising efforts, but need time to do so, and the need is imminent, with a \$6,000 shortfall in the 2023-24 school year

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- (a) That up to \$6,000 be allocated from the Ward 2 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account (3301609602) to the Hamilton Foundation for Student Success; and
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.