

City of Hamilton

CITY COUNCIL ADDENDUM

24-013
Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 9:30 A.M.
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- *5.12 Correspondence respecting the Heritage Designation of 84 York Boulevard:
 - *a. Raimund Laqua
 - *b. Sidney Stacey
 - *c. Tim Rosenberger
 - *d. Michael Mileski

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 9 of Planning Committee Report 24-009.

*5.13 Correspondence from James Kemp respecting the recent changes to the HSR policy, further to Mr. Kemp's delegation at the June 17, 2024 Public Works Committee meeting.

Recommendation: Be received.

*5.14 Correspondence from Joshua Weresch requesting that City Council reverse it's decision to fund the online neighbourhood watch application with \$10,000 of public dollars and return the money immediately to the ward's fund.

Recommendation: Be received.

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

*8.1 2024 Hamilton Santa Claus Parade

(A request to waive the rules will be introduced)

*8.2 Workers Arts and Heritage Centre Capital Updates and Repairs (Ward 2)

(A request to waive the rules will be introduced)

- *8.3 Sanctioned Encampment Site(s)
- *8.4 Celebrating Francophone Resilience & Culture in Ward 3 2024

(A request to waive the rules will be introduced)

*8.5 Exclusion of Southam Park and Sam Lawrence Park Within the Encampment Protocol

12. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMING BY-LAW

*12.16 119

To Amend By-law No. 01-215, Being a By-law to Regulate Traffic Schedule 34 (Designated Community Safety Zones) Ward: 11, 12

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Vote to Withdraw Heritage Designation (84 York Boulevard)

From: Raimund Laqua

Sent: Friday, June 21, 2024 8:15 AM

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

Cc: Qureshi, Uzma <Uzma.Qureshi@hamilton.ca>; Lowe, Sarah <Sarah.Lowe@hamilton.ca>

Subject: Vote to Withdraw Heritage Designation (84 York Boulevard)

Dear Andrea Horwath,

My name is Raimund Laqua, and I have lived in Hamilton for 60 years. For the past 35 years, I have been a member of Philpott Church, at 84 York Boulevard, where I got married and raised my children. This community has supported me through good and difficult times, just as it has supported many others for over a century.

I am deeply disappointed and saddened to learn of the city's plan to designate our building as a heritage site. This designation poses a significant risk to our community's future and could seriously hurt our community and limit the good work Philpott Church does for Hamilton.

This designation feels particularly unfair given the Heritage Committee has been aware of our intention to sell the building for over a decade.

As you know, we entered into a purchase and sale agreement in 2021 with a developer who plans to build much-needed housing on the site. At the same time, we purchased the former Lincoln Alexander Centre on King Street East, where renovations are well underway. The purchase and sale agreement for our current site is scheduled to close this September.

A heritage designation for our building jeopardizes our relocation agreement. Without the sale, we cannot move forward with our planned relocation project, which is essential for us to continue serving the Hamilton community. This outcome would dismantle our legacy, rather than continue it, which I believe is not the intention of the council members.

I urge you to consider the impact of this heritage designation on our church and to vote to withdraw the notice of intention to designate our building.

Sincerely,

Raimund Laqua, PMP., P.Eng.

June 22, 2024

Sidney Stacey

Mayor Andrea Horwath Hamilton City Councillors

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate Philpott Church

My name is Sidney Stacey and I have been a resident of Hamilton for the past 32 years and have attended Philpott Church on 84 York Blvd for the past 10 years. I am writing to express my deep concerns about an impending notice of intention to designate Philpott Church as a heritage property. I don't believe this is in the best interests of the city and certainly not for Philpott Church. I do believe there is a sensible way forward that would advance the social, cultural, economic, and housing interests of the city and support a growing and vibrant multi-ethnic church serving in the downtown core of Hamilton.

Equity is an important value as defined by value statements for the City of Hamilton. If we consider the McNab Baptist Church on James St, the city supported the church building being torn down for future development with the foyer preserved for incorporation into a new structure some point in the future. This was not a full building heritage designation on a church building.

Secondly, St James Anglican Church on King and Queen was demolished, and new space incorporated for the church into the new building structure which included new housing. This church, which had more historical significance than Philpott Church, did not receive a notice of intention to designate the building. From this precedent standpoint, it seems inconsistent to designate the entire Philpott church building as heritage.

A sensible way forward would be to support the proposed heritage easement, rather than a full building designation to ensure that key elements, such as the church's pillars, stained-glass windows and wood floors, are salvaged and incorporated into the future building. This would be consistent with how the city has dealt with other urban churches and redevelopment.

As you are aware, in 2021 our congregation entered into a purchase and sale agreement with a developer who plans to build much-needed housing at our current site. At the same time, we were able to purchase the former Lincoln Alexander Centre on King St East and renovations are well underway. The purchase and sale agreement at our current site is scheduled to close in September 2024. A heritage designation on the entire building would clearly threaten the purchase and sale agreement and the future of the church.

Philpott Church has served our community for past 130 years, with the building dating to 1901 and 1906. Philpott Church continues to play an important and expanding role in serving our city through significant initiatives to support the homeless, newcomers to Canada and refugees. We collaborate with and support the work of many downtown agencies and organizations. All buildings, including church buildings, have a certain season and economic life.

In summary, I would respectfully ask that the Notice of Intention to Designate Philpott Church be withdrawn and replaced by a motion to support a heritage easement for the reasons noted above.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sidney Stacey Order of Hamilton 2023

Pilon, Janet

Subject: A Plea regarding the motion to Historically Designate 84 York Boulevard

From: Tim Rosenberger

Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 3:22 AM

To: Office of the Mayor mailto:Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca

Subject: A Plea regarding the motion to Historically Designate 84 York Boulevard

To Her Honour Mayor Horwath and/or trusted Mayoral Staff,

My name is Tim Rosenberger, a resident of Ward 1 and a member of Philpott Memorial Church for 14 years. Over that time I have had various roles related to facilities planning, involving both maintenance and improvements. I wrote a letter in opposition to the notice of intention to designate, but was not able to participate in the meeting of the planning committee because it was in direct conflict with my daughter's college graduation in Ottawa.

What follows is not the official position of the church. It is instead my gathered thoughts as the congregation has wrestled with various issues over many years.

I am writing to ask that you consider my words below, and to consider voting against the current resolution going to full council to place the particular heritage designation on the specified portions of the building at 84 York Boulevard. I recognize that the Heritage department does an excellent job of identifying locations with historical and cultural value, and that 84 York Boulevard represents fragments of Hamilton's history that may not be particularly well known. However, it is the role of council to weigh that value against the cost to other initiatives and community priorities.

As I worked on this letter, the content became long, so I am providing a point form summary here:

- The congregation has undergone a beautiful transformation in recent years, opening its heart to those struggling around it by implementing program elements that specifically address human needs for resources and welcome into positive community and personal relationships. The outcome is that we have built a diverse internal community that embraces across traditional socio-economic, racial and cultural divisions.
- The long-term and operating cost to remain in the buildings currently occupied by the congregation is very high well beyond the resources of the community to sustain.
- Beyond the cost of maintaining the status quo the current buildings are considered deficient for congregational purposes on the grounds of limited accessibility and risks associated with old utilities and structure. There is also a high operational carbon footprint associated with heating and cooling this large, old collection of occupied spaces.
- Proceeds from the sale of properties including 84 York Boulevard are essential to plans for relocation within walking distance to facilities tailored to the services we want to provide with the desired improvements in accessibility, and carbon footprint reduction. Being on major transit routes I hope for adoption of public transit in place of personal cars by many congregants, further reducing our congregational carbon footprint on a per capita basis. We have also started a discussion about how we might integrate affordable housing into the new site, though this would likely happen as a second phase of development.
- Designation of 84 York Boulevard as a protected historical property has the potential to derail the completion of the sale of the property, which would strip us of the funds to complete construction

at the new site and leave us with liability for the payments we have already received. At the very least, time and financial resources will be consumed while sorting out the situation, reducing the resources available for the beneficial ends we intend.

• I also am concerned that even with the best of intentions to save it, the buildings at 84 York Boulevard will suffer the same arc that the Tivoli Theatre at James and York seems to be on – that lack of a financially viable plan to preserve the buildings will in the end lead to a loss due to decay. In the meanwhile, the broader community suffers the general opportunity loss of the benefit that would have been realized by allowing earlier purposeful demolition and sooner redevelopment toward a dense, lively locale to support local businesses and cultural amenities.

Outside of the direct impacts on our congregation, it seems to me that the creation of as much housing as possible (even if somewhat upscale) lowers the pressure on existing housing regarding upscaling and condo conversions. This may be somewhat simplistic, but there is some truth in it. A similar message was sent to my local councillor, Maureen Wilson.

Sincerely, respectfully, and with best regards,

Tim Rosenberger

PS what follows below is an elaboration on some of the points above. Not all points have been given such treatment.

The sustaining objective of the congregation's work as an organization has been to honour God by investing in people. In recent years we have had a bit of a change of heart and have made a massive increase in the scope of our programming, to support the physical neighbors of the building - the unhoused, precariously housed, newcomers to Canada and people in similar situations that defy clean categorization. We aim to help people sustain life and hope, and to make positive life changes. In the midst of connecting people to practical life needs we have been laying the groundwork for our own transformation into a more diverse congregation cutting across socioeconomic and racial lines.

Our attachment to the building has been strong, and we wrestled with options to permit us to continue to occupy the current building while renovating to maintain structural integrity and to provide full accessibility and safety. Besides the millions of dollars (that we did not have) to address the deterioration of the superficial faux stone facade, the underlying brick structure and roof structure, the building has issues of limited accessibility, lead pipes, other old water pipes that cannot withstand exposure to the full line pressure of the city water supply and many other issues related to compliance with fire and electrical codes that would become applicable if we were to go ahead with any more substantial renovations of the building. There is also concern about the operational carbon footprint of the facility as there is limited insulation and vapour barrier in the building. To address this would also involve a massive cost and would subtly but significantly impact many aspects of the building including heritage features such as doors and windows.

Several purchase and sale agreements at market rates for properties owned by the congregation allowed us both to acquire other properties, and to renovate and re-built those properties to provide appropriate, accessible spaces to continue and expand these programs. We were even beginning discussions about the feasibility of incorporating affordable housing into the redevelopment of the new properties, though more likely as part of a second phase of building.

Pilon, Janet

Subject: From a former Pastor of Philpott Memorial Church, re: Heritage Status

From: Michael Mileski

Sent: Monday, June 24, 2024 10:34 PM

To: Ward 2 < <u>ward2@hamilton.ca</u>>; Kroetsch, Cameron < <u>Cameron.Kroetsch@hamilton.ca</u>>; Office of the Mayor < Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca>; Horwath, Andrea < Andrea.Horwath@hamilton.ca>

Cc: Ward 1 Office < <u>ward1@hamilton.ca</u>>; Ward 4 < <u>ward4@hamilton.ca</u>>; Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann < <u>ward3@hamilton.ca</u>>; Francis, Matt < <u>Matt.Francis@hamilton.ca</u>>; Wilson, Maureen < <u>Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca</u>>;

Hwang, Tammy < Tammy. Hwang@hamilton.ca >; ward5@hamilton.ca < ward5@hamilton.ca >

Subject: From a former Pastor of Philpott Memorial Church, re: Heritage Status

Dear Councillors in downtown Hamilton, and especially Clr Kroetsch and Mayor Horwath...

I am a Ward 3 resident, and was a pastor at Philpott Memorial Church (PMC) for seven years and I feel compelled to share why the implications of the City's intention to designate the building as a Heritage property ought to trouble you as much as they trouble me.

During my time as pastor, PMC's members voted overwhelmingly in favour of razing and rebuilding on the old structure's footprint. I confess I was initially resistant, since I, like many Hamiltonians, admire the building's history. However, nostalgia and personal preferences must give way to reality. Consider these two factors:

First, the church's story: The group who eventually became PMC, called the "Christian Workers' Mission" had their first home in a rented hall at the corner of King Street and MacNab in 1892 (now Jackson Square). In 1896 they relocated to the St. James Hotel on Hughson Street (now gone). They outgrew it after a year, and moved to another rented hall on the third floor of a building on James Street. S, (also gone). They outgrew this too, and moved to the Macnab Street Baptist Church in 1898 (also gone). In those days they held evening worship services at the Star Theatre on King St (also gone). PMC's first structure at its current property was built in 1901, and was later repurposed as Sunday school space when the now familiar structure was built on the corner of York Blvd and Park St in 1906. By 1922 PMC had outgrown even this space, and rented Loew's Theatre (later, Buttinsky's Bar) on King Street. Like any healthy church community, PMC has a story that stretches across many locations, most of which are long gone.

Secondly, I implore the City to consider what a church is: PMC is not like Dundurn Castle, a structure which beautifully preserves a moment in history, and the lifestyle of those who lived there (past tense). At present, the castle is no one's home. One visits the castle to step back in time. Heritage Status for Dundurn Castle aptly preserves this experience for future generations who wish to experience Hamilton's history.

By contrast, the building occupied by PMC is home to a growing, active congregation. Those who visit for a sense of history become surprised (and a little disappointed) that the leadership have made several significant updates and renovations over the years to make its interior safer and more accessible, and to remove barriers to ministry.

This is not a building that's used for an hour each week on Sundays; it is a centre for daily programs such as those which serve children, youth, seniors, addicts, shut-ins, divorcees, the unhoused, those in recovery, and those at various stages of grief. It should therefore not surprise anyone that the building's interior looks nothing like it did in 1906. Indeed the only parts of the building with the appearance of age are on the outside: its weakened roof, cracked windows, and crumbling concrete facade. PMC is not its building. The same could be said for any mosque, temple, or synagogue. A church is a community of people - a city within a city.

The takeaways are several, but I'll name two:

First, the City missed its chance to designate the original Philpott Church by about a hundred and thirty years, and again at many other points since. The current structure no more preserves the history or culture of this congregation than does Buttinsky's Bar on King Street.

Second, Heritage Status affects a church much differently than it does a historical landmark. Someday the City will have to decide whether to designate as Heritage properties our beautiful mosques, temples, and synagogues, and similarly hamstring the communities serving in those buildings. Like them, the PMC community must not be shackled to an outdated shell because of the nostalgia of those who aren't part of that community, and who don't bear the costs of living with its limitations.

In fact the church of which I am currently the Pastor, Benediction Church, is a daughter-church to PMC. Benediction was planted in 2017 by a number of families who'd been attending PMC, and shared the leadership's vision for multiplication of its urban ministry, not for nostalgia. I therefore add my voice to the large number of those in Hamilton who are pleading with the City not to designate this building as a Heritage property. PMC, like any religious community, must be allowed to seize strategic opportunities to grow and serve Hamilton well into the future.

Thank you for your time and kind attention. I am at your service, and can be reached via email or phone (905) 923-0068 if you wish to discuss this further.

Michael Mileski



Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

While I have been very vocal on the recent changes to HSR policy, the issue of accessible fare payment seems to get confused with the issue of free fare and so I must make this one last attempt to warn you about what is about to happen.

On July 1st, the HSR will be in a position to discriminate and deny service on the basis of disability. Drivers would be doing so in full accordance with City policy. If a person can't handle a card or wallet, or cannot reach the scanner placement for whatever reason, they can be denied service. If they cannot board at the front and require back door access, they can be denied service, because they can't pay fare at the front. HSR will say our drivers always have discretion to require payment or not, but it shouldn't be an issue at all. Many drivers will show empathy, but many will follow the rules to the letter.

I will make no argument here regarding free fare for any group, however, I will remind you that voluntary pay was not put in place to be altruistic and give people with disabilities financial assistance, it was put in place because HSR couldn't figure out accessible fare payment. The HSR has a number of ways to solve the problem now and are choosing not to. How can the TTC provide an accessible transit environment, but our own bus service cannot?

This is not an abstract problem for me; I know I will be one of those passengers to be denied service. There are many days when I cannot hold a card, or a wallet, or a phone, or a mouse or use a keyboard, etc. I know for a fact that I cannot reach and stretch to the scanner as it is designed and have told the HSR that on multiple occasions. I am certain that I am not the only one with these issues. I cannot use DARTS as it is designed; my condition requires me to live day by day, not a week in advance, so the HSR has always been my only option. I will be denied service not because I don't want to pay, but because I cannot as it is set up.

Drivers refuse to drop the back ramp, because that is what they have been told to do. To say that people always have the option to use the back door when they need to use it is misrepresenting the reality of the situation. In the past year, I have only had the driver drop the back ramp for me three times, but my requests number in the dozens. Every time I board and find my way blocked I ask, and am told no. Drivers have been given clear

instructions on this, because there are no fare payment options except at the front.

I have tried to raise alarms about this plan for more than a year and this is my final plea before it goes into effect. HSR knows all this through the many consultations they like to list for you, but none of those consultations has resulted in any accommodations from them. Their idea of accommodation is to be trained by the HSR to overcome our disabilities. This is simply not possible. If we could conform, we wouldn't be disabled.

Declaring that the HSR has no choice but to use Presto for all fare payment ignores the fact that they still produce bus tickets for organizations. If they can do that, why can't they set up a small non-digital option for less than a thousand people?

We cannot discriminate on the basis of a disability. It is against the OHRC and doesn't adhere to the four pillars of IDEA that have been adopted by the City of Hamilton. On that basis alone I ask that this process be paused until the HSR has provided some accommodation to those unable to use the current configuration. It is not about should we pay, rather it is about can we physically pay.

Please stop this before it is too late.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

James Kemp

25 June 2024

To the mayor and councillors of Hamilton, Ontario:

Good evening. Hope this finds you well. I write as a life-long Hamiltonian and as a resident in Ward 8, one who has spent 14 years in the neighbourhood of Centremount.

On 24 Jun 2024, Richard Leitner reported in the *Hamilton Spectator* that \$10,000 of ward funds was unanimously approved by council to defray the start-up costs of an online neighbourhood watch application that, in the words of its designers, was part of the thinking "about how we can be the eyes and ears to the police" ("Neighbours band together to fight crime - Online watch initiative in Waterdown puts modern twist on a traditional idea"). I ask that council immediately reverse this decision and return the \$10,000 to the ward.

In his essay, "Ur-Fascism," published in 1905 in the New York Review of Books, Umberto Eco listed 14 traits of fascism. The 5th trait is the fear of difference and, as Eco writes, "the first appeal of a prematurely intruders" fascist or fascist movement is an appeal against the (https://theanarchistlibrary.org/library/umberto-eco-ur-fascism). It is clear, in Leitner's article, that there is an appeal made against those who intrude, to "ward off people up to no good." The 6th trait is the appeal to a frustrated middle class, "frightened by the pressure of lower social groups," and it is this appeal, too, that is connoted in Leitner's article. I worry that these traits are being exhibited, in some measure, in the Mountainview Heights suburb.

What is much cheaper than \$10,000 public dollars from tax-payers, however, is the free, but longer and more difficult, work of getting to know one's neighbours. One of the application's technicians is quoted in Leitner's article, saying, "People also often don't know their neighbours, making suspicious visitors less likely to draw attention." Such long, difficult work is also deeply rewarding and embeds trust in one's neighbours and in one's self as one who is capable both of caring for one's own self but also, at best, for others nearest. Instead of constantly turning to policing services to address these issues, \$10,000, to start, if not the entirety of the \$214,800,000 dedicated to policing services in this year's budget, would be better spent in arranging times and places for neighbours to get to know one another, whether in Waterdown or elsewhere in the city. As calls for service from policing services decrease, so too would the 20% of every property tax dollar dedicated to policing services decrease, with hope to 0%.

Given this rationale, I ask that this city's council reverse its decision to fund this online neighbourhood-watch application with \$10,000 of public dollars and return that money immediately to the ward's fund. Thank you for your time and attention in these regards.

Respectfully,

Joshua Weresch

Council Date: June 26, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. JACKSON.....

2024 Hamilton Santa Claus Parade

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Santa Claus Parade is a longstanding volunteer, community-based organization that has delivered an annual seasonal winter celebration each November:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Santa Claus Parade has received support from the City in various capacities since 1980;

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Santa Claus Parade submitted a 2024 City Enrichment Fund application, with a request of \$29,900; and

WHEREAS, challenges with the application resulted in no funding allocated to this event.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That one-time in-kind support provided by the Tourism and Culture Division for permitting, road closures, policing and security, First Aid and EMS, for the delivery of the 2024 Hamilton Santa Parade up to a total value of \$20,000 be provided, and;
- (b) That staff work with the organization to review their previous City Enrichment Fund applications and explore additional supports;
- (c) That costs associated with the 2024 Hamilton Santa Claus parade delivery be funded, one-time, from the Ward 6 Discretionary Account #3302109600 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$9,900, and;
- (d) 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.

Council Date: June 26, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....

Workers Arts and Heritage Centre Capital Updates and Repairs (Ward 2)

WHEREAS Workers Arts and Heritage Centre (WAHC), as a not-for-profit institution, does not have sufficient funding to take on emerging capital updates and repairs to the Hamilton Custom House, where they host their operations and programming;

WHEREAS the Hamilton Custom House was built between 1858 and 1860 and is one of the oldest remaining federal public buildings in Canada;

WHEREAS the Hamilton Custom House is a heritage-listed building of important historical and architectural significance to Ward 2 and the City of Hamilton, and is recognized as a heritage easement site through the Ontario Heritage Foundation;

WHEREAS Workers Arts and Heritage Centre is a museum that celebrates the history of workers and labour and is of important cultural and historical significance to Ward 2 and the City of Hamilton; and

WHEREAS Workers Arts and Heritage Centre staff obtained the following quotes and estimates for necessary capital updates and repairs:

- Heritage window pane repair by Lower City Joinery for \$4,881.60
- River stone hardscaping on exterior of the building for \$2,358.34
- Plaster restoration by Acanthus Heritage Plastering Inc. for \$10,000
- Chain link fence replacement for \$9,034.35
- LED lighting conversion by Christopher's Electric for \$3,725.71

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That a grant up to \$30,000 be allocated from the Ward 2 Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108052 to Workers Arts and Heritage Centre for costs associated with these necessary capital updates and repairs; 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.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. HWANG......

Sanctioned Encampment Site(s)

WHEREAS, a sanctioned encampment site was discussed as a possible solution to manage encampments in the City of Hamilton at the June 19, 2024 General Issues Committee by delegates as well as the representatives from the Hamilton Police Service; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the updated encampment protocol was added at the June 19th, 2024 General Issues Committee where staff will be evaluating the opportunity of increasing certain distances in specific cases; and that report will be presented at the August 2024 General Issues Committee meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee in August 2024, with an information report that identifies the resources required to integrate services and supports for individuals living unsheltered into a sanctioned encampment site or sites, including:

- (i) a summary of the results of the previously completed jurisdictional scan and operating model analysis of sanctioned site options; and
- (ii) a cost comparison of current encampment protocol spending coupled with cost estimates for sanctioned site options.

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MOVED BY COUNCILLOR N. NANN.....

Celebrating Francophone Resilience & Culture in Ward 3 - 2024

WHEREAS, FrancoFEST is organized by the Centre Francophone Hamilton and is the largest Francophone arts and culture festival on the Niagara Peninsula;

WHEREAS, FrancoFEST attracts over 30,000 Francophones and Francophiles annually and has taken place for 11 years at Gage Park in Ward 3;

WHEREAS, FrancoFEST celebrates the rich diversity of our local Francophone community, and from around the world, creating a very important space of belonging and community;

WHEREAS, FrancoFEST has partnered this year with the Hamilton Regional Indian Center to offer cultural capacity training to their volunteers in order to facilitate a better understanding of their Indigenous neighbours' pasts, presents and futures;

WHEREAS, one of the three days dedicated to FrancoFEST occurs on Indigenous Peoples Day, June 21st, and the festival seeks to celebrate the rich cultural legacy of Indigenous Peoples, teach more of Indigenous history to Francophone newcomers through traditional arts;

WHEREAS, the Friday June 21st performance by Mi'gmafrica equitably balances the traditions from Indigenous Peoples, and newcomers to Canada from the African continent;

WHEREAS, FrancoFEST has a tourism regional economic impact of about \$2.2M every year, as calculated using the province's model.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$2500 be allocated from the Ward 3 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account (3301609603) to Centre français Hamilton Inc toward costs associated with the FrancoFEST; 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.

Council Date: June 26, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J.P. DANKO.....

Exclusion of Southam Park and Sam Lawrence Park Within the Encampment Protocol

WHEREAS, the majority of Council agrees that public parks are incompatible with homeless tent encampments;

WHEREAS, City staff have recommended that encampments should not be permitted in public parks that are undergoing further park development options;

WHEREAS, the majority of Hamilton City Council has approved the exemption of Strachan Linear Park from the Encampment Protocol on the basis of ongoing park development options;

WHEREAS, Ward 8 residents are suffering with the ongoing impacts of homeless tent encampments in both Southam Park and Sam Lawrence Park, including: threats of violence, disruptive and aggressive behavior, theft, destruction of property, open drug use, urination and defecation, desecration of a war memorial and trash and garbage;

WHEREAS, both Southam Park and Sam Lawrence Park have undergone a Park Masterplan and are currently undergoing further park development initiatives in order to further activate these spaces for community use.

WHEREAS, City staff have indicated that it is not desirable to disrupt a homeless tent encampment to enable development options of a public space;

WHEREAS, development of Southam Park is in the 2025 capital plan and development of Sam Lawrence Park is underway now and this work will disrupt ongoing homeless tent encampments;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Encampment Protocol be amended to include an exclusion from allowing encampments, temporary shelters, or tents in Southam Park and Sam Lawrence Park until further park development options can be explored.

Authority: Item 9, Public Works Committee Report 07-016 (PW07153)

CM: December 12, 2007 Ward: 11, 12

Bill No. 119

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 24-

To Amend By-law No. 01-215 Being a By-law To Regulate Traffic

WHEREAS sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, authorize the City of Hamilton to pass by-laws as necessary or desirable for the public and municipal purposes, and in particular paragraphs 4 through 8 of subsection 10(2) authorize by-laws respecting: assets of the municipality, the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality; health, safety and well-being of persons; the provision of any service or thing that it considers necessary or desirable for the public; and the protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS on the 18th day of September, 2001, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacted By-law No. 01-215 to regulate traffic;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law No. 01-215.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Schedule 34 (Designated Community Safety Zones) of By-law No. 01-215, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding to Section "E" (Hamilton) thereof the following items, namely;

Schedule 34: Designated Community Safety Zones

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	
Highway	Between	Times of Day	
	800m west of Westbrook Road	-	
Golf Club Road	and 650m east of Hendershot	Anytime	
	Road		
	550m north of Golf Club Road		
Woodburn Road	and 1000m south of Golf Club	Anytime	
	Road		
Highway No. 52	Governors Road and Jerseyville	Anytime	
	Road West		

- Subject to the amendments made in this By-law, in all other respects, By-law No. 01-215, including all Schedules thereto, as amended, is hereby confirmed unchanged.
- 3. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

PASSED this 26 th day of June, 2024.		
A. Horwath	J. Pilon	
Mayor	Acting City Clerk	