



MOTION

Committee Date: March 20, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. PEARSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Interest Arbitration Reform and Renewal

Whereas, the City of Hamilton is pleased that both the Provincial government and the Opposition have kept the issue of interest arbitration reform at the forefront of major policy discussions;

And Whereas, the City of Hamilton supports the overall intention of interest arbitration renewal;

And Whereas, a preliminary review indicates that there needs to be improvement in both pieces of draft legislation to be considered by the Legislature;

And Whereas, the City of Hamilton trusts that through further consultation, these issues can be resolved;

And Whereas, the City of Hamilton is aware that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Emergency Services Steering Committee are reviewing these issues and are requesting further discussion and input;

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That **the Council of** the City of Hamilton requests that the legislature work collectively in the best interest of Ontario municipalities and Ontario taxpayers on this important issue of interest arbitration reform and supports the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's (AMO) recent request for revised legislation that is efficient, accountable and transparent;
- (b) That this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leader of the New Democratic Party, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Hamilton-area M.P.P.'s, conveying Council's position on this matter. ~~approval of this motion.~~