

MOTION

Committee Date: June 10, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. McHATTIE.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Re: Ensuring Access to Services for Immigrants

Whereas, the City of Toronto passed a resolution on February 21 2013, re-affirming its commitment to ensuring access to services without fear to immigrants without full status or without full status documents, with direction to staff to review opportunities and strategies on how the City can assist;

Whereas, the Public Health Department has been active with others in Hamilton ensuring service is provided to undocumented individuals;

Whereas, several Hamilton agencies have also been active in assisting undocumented workers and are interested in working with the City of Hamilton in developing policy on this issue, with a workshop being planned by the Hamilton Community Legal Clinic / Clinique juridique communautaire de Hamilton;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Community and Emergency Services Department engage with the Public Health Department and local agencies to investigate how undocumented individuals are treated in Hamilton, and report to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.