



# CITIZEN COMMITTEE REPORT

<b>To:</b>	Chair and Members Audit, Finance & Administration Committee
<b>From:</b>	Denise Christopherson, Chair Status of Women Advisory Committee _____ (to be signed by the Chair)
<b>Date:</b>	May 25, 2015
<b>Re:</b>	<b>Status of Women Advisory Committee – Transfer from Reserve (Report SWC15001)</b>

## **Recommendation:**

That \$2,800.00 be transferred from the Status of Women Advisory Committee's Volunteer Reserve account, to fund the Up for Debate event, on the Committee's 2015 work plan.

## **Background:**

The Status of Women Advisory Committee is working through their work plan, for 2015 and it includes a project that requires additional funds from the reserve account. The project that requires funding is the Up for Debate event, Conservation Café.

The Up for Debate event will focus on issues relevant to women in Hamilton such as a living wage, equal pay for equal work, child care, poverty, affordable housing and more.

The current Status of Women Advisory Committee's reserve balance is \$4,287.96. The \$2,800.00 requested, will be used for the 2015 project; Up for Debate event, as outlined in the work plan and include facilitators, facility, printing, advertising and refreshment costs for the activity noted above.

## **Analysis/Rationale:**

The Status of Women Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference include the following goals:

- (a) Define, investigate, study and make recommendations on issues of concern affecting women of the City of Hamilton and other matters of social or municipal

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concern, including matters referred to this Committee by City Council, staff and City of Hamilton Committees.

- (b) Inform citizens of the City of Hamilton on issues affecting women.
- (c) Actively encourage women to participate in all aspects of society and support them in their life choices.
- (d) Advise citizens of the City of Hamilton decisions made by City Council, which may impact on women, including matters of social concern and those referred to City Council by this Committee.

The committee has determined that the project on the work plan is in keeping with the committee's goals.