CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

General Issues Committee (Budget): November 27, 2015

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. GREEN
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Tropical House Capital Funding Allocation

WHEREAS, the Council Approved Gage Park Master Plan identified the importance the Tropical House contributes to public programming in Gage Park;

WHEREAS, the existing Tropical House requires replacement due to lifecycle decline, structural failure and to improve public accessibility by re-orienting the entrance toward the parking lot providing a vehicle drop-off; and,

WHEREAS, partial capital funding is available through the Forestry and Horticulture block funding allocation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be authorized and directed to allocate \$1,500,000 from the uncommitted balance of \$750,000 in the 2016 Ward 3 Capital Infrastructure Reserve; and, \$750,000 in the 2017 Ward 3 Capital Infrastructure Reserve to facilitate the award of the Tropical House Project construction to a qualified bidder, and expedite implementation of the Gage Park Master Plan; and,
- (b) That staff be authorized and directed to reduce \$1,500,000 Ward 3 Capital Infrastructure contribution by a corresponding amount should other private sector funding arise, prior to commencing construction of the Tropical House.