



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
DATE:	February 3, 2016
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Post-Secondary Education, Principles of Co-Operation (PED16036) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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COUNCIL DIRECTION:

This Report is pursuant to a presentation by Patrick Deane, President of McMaster University, at the General Issues Committee of Wednesday November 4, 2015.

City staff and senior representatives from Hamilton's post-secondary education sector (McMaster University, Mohawk College, Redeemer University College and the City of Hamilton) were directed to create a vehicle for a co-operative approach to building our community.

INFORMATION:

Subsequent to this Council direction, Economic Development staff and staff from McMaster University, Mohawk College and Redeemer College met and prepared the document, "Principles of Co-operation", attached as "Appendix A" to Report PED16036. This document acknowledges the immense role that municipal government plays in the success of our local post-secondary institutions and their corresponding benefits to Hamilton and the surrounding area. Appendix "A" also confirms the extent of our post-secondary institutions' activities and, specifically, their work related to community engagement and development of the City of Hamilton.

The document does not obligate the City to any actions or financial commitments. Rather, it represents an articulation of the collaborative principles that will guide our ongoing relationship with our post-secondary institutions.

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City staff is recommending that the item respecting “Formal Body to Present a Consolidated Approach in Building Our Community – McMaster and Post-Secondary Institutions” be removed from the GIC Outstanding Business List.

APPENDICIES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix “A” - Post-Secondary: Principles of Co-operation

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