



**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**  
**Economic Development Division**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	March 2, 2016
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payment for 2016 (PED16055) (Ward 1)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	Ward 1
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<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Jason Thorne General Manager Planning and Economic Development Department
<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (a) That the 2016 Operating Budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED16055, be approved in the amount of \$45,000;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) in the amount of \$30,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2016 Budget as referenced in Recommendation (b) of Report PED16055;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2016 be approved:

March	\$15,000
June	\$15,000

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Report PED16055 deals with the approval of the 2016 Budget, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED16055, and Schedule of Payments for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA).

### ***Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable***

## **FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Financial: The \$45,000 is derived from the following: \$30,000 through levying the members of the BIA and \$15,000 from other revenue sources including designated surplus funds, recoveries, grants and other miscellaneous revenues.

Staffing: There are no staffing implications.

Legal: The *Municipal Act, 2001*, Section 205, Sub-section (2) dictates that City Council must approve budgets of BIAs.

## **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

At its Annual General Meeting on January 26, 2016, the Locke Street BIA Board of Management presented its proposed Budget for 2016, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED16055. This presentation involved two options for how much funding was to be allocated to the BIA's activities regarding special events, street beautification and marketing / social media.

Based on the feedback received at this meeting, the BIA's Board of Management approved the Budget at its meeting on January 26, 2016, which immediately followed the Annual General Meeting.

The process followed to adopt the Locke Street BIA's Budget was in accordance with the BIA's Procedure By-law.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS**

The *Municipal Act, 2001*, Section 205, Sub-section (2) dictates that City Council must approve budgets of BIAs.

## **RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

Not Applicable

**ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

Not Applicable

**ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION**

Not Applicable

**ALIGNMENT TO THE 2012 – 2015 STRATEGIC PLAN**

**Strategic Priority #1**

A Prosperous & Healthy Community

*WE enhance our image, economy and well-being by demonstrating that Hamilton is a great place to live, work, play and learn.*

**Strategic Objective**

- 1.1 Continue to grow the non-residential tax base.
- 1.3 Promote economic opportunities with a focus on Hamilton's downtown core, all downtown areas and waterfronts.

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

Appendix "A" to Report PED16055 – Proposed 2016 Budget

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