CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Planning Committee: May 3, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. PARTRIDGE
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Re: Temporary Exemption for Grace Christian School, 497 Millgrove Sideroad and other elementary and high schools in Ward 15 from the City's Parkland By-law

WHEREAS, Grace Christian School located at 497 Millgrove Sideroad has made application for Site Plan Approval (DA-15-085) and Building Permit Approval;

WHEREAS, the Grace Christian School playground area will contain new soccer fields and amenities which will be open for the public to use to meet the parkland needs of the rural community in Ward 15 and beyond;

WHEREAS, the school has worked with the local soccer club to provide practice fields and will continue to do so;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Parkland By-law exempts institutional uses, but not elementary and secondary schools, from the requirement to pay cash-in-lieu or dedicate parkland;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Parkland By-law provides for Council to exempt a specified type or class of development or redevelopment, either City wide or in a specified geographic area, from the requirements of the Parkland By-law; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to exempt Grace Christian School and other schools in the rural area which make their facilities available to the broader rural community from the parkland dedication requirement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That elementary and high schools within the rural area of Ward 15 are hereby exempt from the requirements of the City of Hamilton Parkland By-law for a 6 month period to expire on November 1, 2016.