

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Issues Committee: May 18, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR A. JOHNSON.....

SECONDED BY MAYOR/COUNCILLOR.....

OPPORTUNITIES TO CELEBRATE PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, PRIDE is synonymous with the positive stance against discrimination and violence toward Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) citizens to promote their self-affirmation, dignity, equality rights, increase their visibility as a social group, build community, and celebrate sexual diversity and gender variance;

WHEREAS, the month of June is traditionally LGBTQ Pride Month when many pride events are held to recognize the impact LGBTQ people have had in the world; and,

WHEREAS, Hamilton-based Pride events can provide an opportunity to boost tourism, while providing both positive economic and social benefits;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That Tourism & Culture staff be directed to convene a meeting with representatives of the LGBTQ community with a goal of discussing opportunities to celebrate, through Hamilton Pride Week, and provide an information report back to GIC summarizing the outcomes of the discussion.