

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Emergency & Community Services Committee: July 6, 2016

**MOVED BY (Councillor Merulla).....**

### **Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres**

WHEREAS, Our vision to make Hamilton the best place to raise a child includes ensuring that every child in Hamilton has equal opportunity to grow and develop to meet his or her full potential.

WHEREAS, The Province of Ontario is delivering on its commitment to make access to child and family programs easier by announcing the launch of Ontario Early Years Child (OEYC's) and Family Centres (OEYCFC) and will be tailored to local communities.

Whereas, the new system is amalgamating the Ontario Early Years Centres and the Parenting and Family Literacy Centres under the governance of the Municipality

Whereas, the province is currently formulating a new funding model for the new OEYCFC system which will be released in 2017

WHEREAS, the current level of funding for the OEYC's system has remained unchanged since 2003

#### **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- a) That the Mayor, on behalf of Council, send a letter to the Minister of Education to thank the provincial government for this decision to continue with their commitment on the transformation of the early system by moving the responsibility of system management for Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres to the municipality and the need to fund them appropriately
- b) That staff be directed to report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee on the funding formula and any anticipated impacts on programs and services

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*(To be completed by the Clerk)*

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