

CITY OF HAMILTON

COMMUNITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT Housing Services Division

то:	Chair and Members Emergency & Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	December 12, 2016
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2017 Budget Submission - Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee (CES16066) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee 2017 base budget submission attached as Appendix A to Report CES16066 in the amount of \$1,000 be approved and referred to the 2017 budget process for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee has prepared and approved their budget submission for 2017, in the amount of \$1,000. This submission is consistent with the 2016 approved budget for the committee.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL - STAFFING - LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: The budget request is the same as the approved budget for the Housing

and Homelessness Committee 2016. The \$1,000 will be used for meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking,

printing and transportation.

Staffing: There are no staffing implications. Community & Emergency Services

Department, Housing Services Division staff will continue to act as staff

liaisons to the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee.

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Employees.

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Legal: There are no legal implications associated with Report CES16066.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee was approved by Emergency and Community Service Committee in November 2015 (Report CES15053) with a mandate to:

- Communicate and work to address the needs of citizens within the community for whom barriers exist to accessing safe, suitable, and affordable housing, including the supports needed to enable citizens to obtain and retain their homes, and;
- Support the City of Hamilton's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan by providing information, advice, and recommendations to the Emergency & Community Services Committee regarding the Action Plan's successful and implementation.

At their September 26, 2016 and November 1, 2016 meetings, the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee gave consideration to their 2017 budget needs. Their budget submission is attached as Appendix A to Report CES16066. This budget covers meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking, printing and transportation. The committee is requesting the same budget they had in 2016 in the amount of \$1,000.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The committee has outlined a meeting plan for 2017, and this budget will provide them support to undertake specific activities around this plan. This includes transportation and parking support for committee members and speakers. The committee has not yet determined all of their activities for 2017, and should additional funding be required in 2017 and be available in the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee reserves, requests for reserve funding will be made at the appropriate time.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee discussed their 2017 budget needs at the September 26, 2016 and November 1, 2016 meetings. After a thoughtful discussion they approved a budget submission that was consistent with their 2016 budget.

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ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This budget allocation will provide funding for the operation of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee and enable them to fulfil their mandate. The committee is not asking for an increase to their previously approved 2016 budget.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 - 2025 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

- 1.5 Support the development and implementation of neighbourhood and City wide strategies that will improve the health and well-being of residents.
- 1.6 Enhance Overall Sustainability (financial, economic, social and environmental).

Strategic Priority #2

Valued & Sustainable Services

WE deliver high quality services that meet citizen needs and expectations, in a cost effective and responsible manner.

Strategic Objective

2.2 Improve the City's approach to engaging and informing citizens and stakeholders.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A to Report CES16066: Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee 2017 Budget Submission