



CITY OF HAMILTON
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Tourism and Culture Division

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	December 7, 2016
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Arts Advisory Commission 2017 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission (PED16244) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Arts Advisory Commission 2017 base budget submission, attached as Appendix 'A' to Report PED16244, in the amount of \$9,000, be approved and referred to the 2017 budget process for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2017 budget request will enable the Arts Advisory Commission (AAC) to fulfil its mandate and is consistent with the previous years' budget requests.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: For 2017, the AAC has requested a base budget of \$9,000. The 2016 base budget was \$9,000.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Arts Advisory Commission has the following mandate:

To recommend activities for the stabilization and strengthening of the arts community; to inform Council of issues and achievements in the Hamilton arts community; to liaise with and act as a point of contact for members of the arts community regarding issues affecting the arts community; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Public Art Program; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Arts Awards Program.

The primary focus of the AAC over the last four years has been the development of a strategic arts funding model through its Arts Funding Task Force.

In 2015-16 the AAC Mandate and Terms of Reference were reviewed and revised requiring fewer members and meetings. A new AAC was appointed in 2016 with only one member of the previous AAC returning.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

N/A

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

In preparation of Report PED16244, Tourism and Culture Division staff consulted with the Arts Advisory Commission, which approved the 2017 Budget Submission, attached as Appendix 'A' to Report PED16244, at its August 30, 2016 meeting.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

In 2017, the Arts Advisory Commission will focus its efforts on outreach and consultation with the arts community to identify issues important to the community. It is assumed that issues such as; artists living and work space costs, sustaining and growing the arts community and promoting the arts community will be identified among others. Consultation plans include a symposium type event to bring the community together along with interviews and online surveys. The results of this work will be used to develop the AAC work plan for 2017-2018.

In addition, the AAC will continue to fulfil its on-going responsibilities with regards to the City of Hamilton Arts Awards, the Public Art Program and to deal with relevant issues as they arise.

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 Empowered Employees.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

N/A

ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 – 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

Community Engagement & Participation

Hamilton has an open, transparent and accessible approach to City government that engages with and empowers all citizens to be involved in their community.

Economic Prosperity and Growth

Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.

Healthy and Safe Communities

Hamilton is a safe and supportive city where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

Culture and Diversity

Hamilton is a thriving, vibrant place for arts, culture, and heritage where diversity and inclusivity are embraced and celebrated.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix 'A' to Report PED16244 – 2017 Arts Advisory Commission Budget Submission

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