

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

**Council Date: August 18, 2017**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. JOHNSON.....**

### **Binbrook Little Theatre 2017 and 2018 Production Seasons**

WHEREAS, the Binbrook Little Theatre was established in 1963 and has a long standing history of providing live theatre in the community of Binbrook;

WHEREAS, the Binbrook Little Theatre continues to be a volunteer driven, not for profit community theatre and located within the Binbrook Memorial Hall;

WHEREAS, the Binbrook Little Theatre rents the Binbrook Memorial Hall second floor from September to May to produce 3 to 4 shows each season, including a summer children's theatre camp;

WHEREAS, the Binbrook Little Theatre pays to the City of Hamilton approximately \$7,100 dollars of rental each year;

WHEREAS, the theatre group has been displaced from the Binbrook Memorial Hall due to a City of Hamilton Canada 150 renovation project for the next two seasons;

WHEREAS, the cost to the City to temporarily relocate this group was in excess of \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the hall to complete the renovations has cause an economic hardship for the theatre group as an estimated loss of revenue for the two seasons is \$ 17,000;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton, Recreation Division waive the 2017 and 2018, two production seasons worth of rental fees of approximately \$14,200 to compensate the Binbrook Little Theatre for their economic loss during the closure of the Binbrook Memorial Hall for the completion of the Canada 150 renovation project; and
- (b) That this fee waiver in the amount of \$14,200 be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve Account # 110046 as follows: the first year from September 2017 to September 2018 in the amount of \$7,100 and a second year from September 2018 to September 2019 in the amount of \$7,100.