## CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

#### Council: September 13, 2017

#### MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. JACKSON.....

# Reconsideration of the Demolition of the City-Owned Surplus School at 155 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, known as Eastmount Park Elementary School

WHEREAS, as per the direction in Report PED15127 - Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount Park Elementary School, which was approved by Council on February 10, 2016, the City of Hamilton has purchased and now owns the Surplus School Property at 155 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, known as Eastmount Park Elementary School;

WHEREAS, staff were authorized and directed to demolish the existing surplus school structure and finish the property with a grassed area, subject to the successful acquisition of the property at 155 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, known as Eastmount Park Elementary School;

WHEREAS, staff were verbally directed at the November 2, 2016 General Issues Committee (GIC) meeting, to hold off on the demolition of the former Eastmount Park Elementary School building, until such time as staff reported back to GIC in response to the motion put forward at that same November 16, 2016 meeting, respecting the feasibility of a fashion incubator at the Eastmount School site that would include, but not be limited to: fashion and related businesses; opportunities for community groups; operating costs offset by partnerships with the private sector; and, steps to transform the former elementary school into a place for creative people to work, connect with peers, and learn to further their trades;

WHEREAS, Report PED17144, respecting Creating a Fashion Incubator Including Opportunities for Community Groups at the Former Eastmount School Site, was TABLED at the August 14, 2017 General Issues Committee meeting, pending further information regarding the Council approved resolution currently on the record (Report PED15127 - Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount Park Elementary School, which was approved by Council on February 10, 2016);

WHEREAS, there is interest in the Community to keep the surplus school structure and use the building for community use; and,

WHEREAS, capital funding requirements for medium and long-term building occupancy, as well as operating enhancements/pressures at full occupancy at 30,000 square feet, have not yet been reported to Committee.

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That sub-section (a)(iii)(1) to Item 11 of the General Issues Committee Report 16-004, respecting Report PED15127(a) - Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount Park Elementary School, which was approved by Council on February 10, 2016 and reads as follows, be reconsidered:

- 11. School Board Properties Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 15, 2016 (Item 8.8)
  - (a) Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount Park Elementary School (PED15127(a)) (Ward 7) (Item 12.2)
    - (iii) That subject to a successful acquisition under Recommendation (a) of Report PED15127(a):
      - 1. Staff be authorized and directed to demolish the existing surplus school structure and finish the property with a grassed area;