

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Audit, Finance & Administration Committee: September 11, 2017

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR A. JOHNSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Funding To Mitigate 2017 & 2018 Staffing and Ward 1 Engagement Requirements

WHEREAS, in 2015 and 2016, Council approved one-time funding to meet financial obligations for the Ward 1 and Ward 2 offices;

WHEREAS, an unfavourable variance is expected in the Ward 1 budget for the 2017 calendar year;

WHEREAS. A more sustainable level of funding has been requested in the past for Ward 1 and Ward 2 budgets;

WHEREAS, for the 2017 budget Council approved some relatively minor adjustments to the Ward Budgets; and,

WHEREAS, the population (inclusive of student population) per Councillor Office support is highest in Ward 1 relative to other City of Hamilton Wards, as well as many comparator municipalities (attached hereto);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That funding up to \$21,000 annually be allocated to the Ward 1 budget, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (Account 110046), be approved to mitigate staffing and Ward engagement requirements for each of the years 2017 and 2018.