

**CITY OF HAMILTON  
NOTICE OF M O T I O N**

**General Issues Committee: December 6, 2017**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR D. CONLEY.....**

**Negotiation with the Hamilton Conservation Authority with respect to a Property Exchange**

WHEREAS, Griffin House, located at 733 Mineral Springs Road and the surrounding lands are owned by the Hamilton Conservation Authority; and, the subject lands and immediate property are maintained by the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has partnered with the Hamilton Conservation Authority to provide on-site interpretation at Griffin House, outreach to the public and school programming throughout the community for 20 years;

WHEREAS, at its meeting of February 11, 2015, Council approved Item 12 of the General Issues Committee Report 15-005, which reads as follows:

**12. Negotiation with the Hamilton Conservation Authority with respect to a Property Exchange (Item 9.1)**

That Real Estate Section staff be authorized and directed to prepare the documents deemed necessary to execute the revenue-neutral property exchange, between the Hamilton Conservation Authority and the City of Hamilton, of approximately 1 acre of land surrounding and including the National Historical Site known as Griffin House, located at 733 Mineral Springs Road; including contents and artifacts, in exchange for approximately 0.49 acres of City own lands on 339 Highland Road West, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

WHEREAS, it was subsequently learned that the Eramosa Karst undercut most of the City of Hamilton’s holding and that a portion was usable for housing at 339 Highland Road West;

WHEREAS, at its meeting of February 10, 2018, Council approved sub-section (b) to Item 16 of the General Issues Committee Report 16-004, which reads as follows:

**15. Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 335, 339 and Part of 337 Highland Road West, Hamilton (PED16033) (Ward 9) (Item 12.3)**

- (b) That an Option to Purchase, executed on November 25, 2015, and scheduled to close on or before April 28, 2016, to purchase the land known as 335, 339 and part of 337 Highland Road West, legally described as Parts 5, Part of 6 and all of Part 7, Plan 62R-17528, Township of Saltfleet, in the City of Hamilton, more fully described in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED16033, be approved and completed on terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "D" to Report PED16033, and the net proceeds be credited to Account No. 47702 4030980986 (Trinity Church Corridor - 53 and Stone Church);

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Conservation Authority was able to use the residual 0.49 acres at 333 and part of 337 Highland Road as a public walkway from Highland Road to the Eramosa Karst lands;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Real Estate Section staff be authorized and directed to prepare the documents deemed necessary to execute the revenue-neutral property exchange, between the Hamilton Conservation Authority and the City of Hamilton, of approximately 1 acre of land surrounding and including the National Historical Site known as Griffin House, located at 733 Mineral Springs Road; including contents and artifacts, (as shown on Appendix "B" attached hereto) in exchange for approximately 0.49 acres of City own lands on 333 and part of 337 Highland Road West (the residual land as shown on Appendix "A" attached hereto), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (b) That the City of Hamilton fund up to \$30,000, from the Trinity Church Road Capital Project #4030980986 in the form of a grant to the Hamilton Conservation Authority (HCA), to alleviate the impacts of the developing road network, which include constructing a modest entrance into the Eramosa Karst through the property exchange lands that the HCA will receive in lieu of the Griffin house parcel, and a buffer for future residences to delineate trails.