

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

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==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency & Community Services

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request:

With growing international focus on basic income, many eyes will be on Hamilton for the recently announced 2018 North American Basic Income Guarantee (NABIG) Congress, May 24-27. Brought together by the US Basic Income Guarantee Network, the Basic Income Canada Network, McMaster University and the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, the annual Congress alternates between U.S. and Canadian host cities. Several hundred academics, advocates and government representatives will be coming to Hamilton to share research and learn about basic income pilot projects.

Hamilton is one of the sites of the Ontario government's three-year basic income pilot, in turn one of a growing number of pilots or programs around the world from India to Finland,

San Francisco to Barcelona. We'll have information on this important gathering to provide to Councillors and answer questions.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No