

CITY OF HAMILTON

COMMUNITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT Housing Services Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency & Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	December 7, 2017
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2018 Budget Submission - Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee (CES17049) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee 2018 base budget submission attached as Appendix A to Report CES17049 in the amount of \$1,000 be approved and referred to the 2018 budget process for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee has prepared and approved their budget submission for 2018, in the amount of \$1,000. This submission is consistent with the 2017 approved budget for the committee.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL - STAFFING - LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial:

The budget request is the same as the approved budget for the Housing and Homelessness Committee 2017. The \$1,000 will be used for meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking, printing and transportation.

Staffing:

There are no staffing implications. Community & Emergency Services Department, Housing Services Division staff will continue to act as staff liaisons to the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee.

Legal:

There are no staffing implications associated with Report CES17049.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee was established by the Emergency and Community Service Committee in November 2015 (Report CES15053) with a mandate to:

- Communicate and work to address the needs of citizens within the community for whom barriers exist to accessing safe, suitable, and affordable housing, including the supports needed to enable citizens to obtain and retain their homes, and;
- Support the City of Hamilton's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan by providing information, advice, and recommendations to the Emergency & Community Services Committee regarding the Action Plan's successful and implementation.

At their November 7, 2017 meeting, the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee gave consideration to their 2018 budget needs. Their budget submission is attached as Appendix A to Report CES17049. This budget covers meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking, printing and transportation. The committee is requesting the same budget they had in 2016 and 2017 in the amount of \$1,000.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The committee has outlined a meeting schedule for 2018, and this budget will provide them support to undertake specific activities in their workplan. This includes transportation and parking support for committee members and speakers. The committee has not yet determined all of their activities for 2018, and should additional funding be required in 2018 and be available in the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee reserves, requests for reserve funding will be made at the appropriate time.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee discussed their 2018 budget needs at the November 7, 2017 meeting. After a thoughtful discussion they approved a budget submission that was consistent with their 2017 budget.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This budget allocation will provide funding for the operation of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee and enable them to fulfil their mandate. The committee is not asking for an increase to their budget.

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ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 – 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

Community Engagement & Participation

Hamilton has an open, transparent and accessible approach to City government that engages with and empowers all citizens to be involved in their community.

Healthy and Safe Communities

Hamilton is a safe and supportive city where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A to Report CES17049: Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee

2018 Budget Submission