



CITY OF HAMILTON
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Tourism and Culture Division

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	February 7, 2018
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (PED18020) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That staff be directed to submit a Canada Cultural Spaces Fund grant application for the Hamilton Children's Museum Expansion.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report requests approval to submit a funding application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF) from the Tourism and Culture Division for the expansion of the Hamilton Children's Museum.

Council approved an expansion of the Hamilton Children's Museum in 2013 (PED13152(a)).

The Hamilton Children's Museum Expansion project is 'shovel ready' and has been identified in the Tourism and Culture 10 year Capital Plan. Class A estimates are complete and the expansion is at site plan approval stage. If the CCSF application is successful staff will report back to the General Issues Committee outlining the financial plan.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: Although there is no financial implication regarding the recommendation to submit a grant application, if successful, matching funding to complete the project is forecasted in the Tourism and Culture 10 year Capital Plan.

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

N/A

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

Director, Tourism and Culture Division, Planning and Economic Development Department

Manager, Heritage Resource Management, Tourism and Culture Division, Planning and Economic Development Department

Senior Project Manager, Heritage Facilities and Capital Management, Tourism and Culture Division, Planning and Economic Development Department

Manager, Finance and Administration (Planning and Economic Development), Financial Planning, Administration and Policy Division, Corporate Services Department

Senior Program Advisor, Department of Canadian Heritage, Government of Canada

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Heritage Resource Management (HRM) section of the Tourism and Culture Division actively seeks funding opportunities for a variety of Heritage capital projects throughout the year. As such, the HRM section identified the CCSF as a potential funding source.

The objectives of the CCSF are to contribute to improved physical conditions for arts and heritage-related creation, presentation, preservation and exhibition, and to

improved access for Canadians to performing arts, visual arts, media arts and to museum collections and heritage displays through the construction and/or renovation of arts and heritage facilities. Priority for CCSF funding is given to:

- Not for profit arts and/or heritage organizations operating in a professional manner, governed by an active Board of Directors;
- Provincial/territorial governments and municipal administrations and their agencies or equivalent Aboriginal people's institutions or organizations that have demonstrated their support to professional artistic or heritage activities in their community; and,
- Construction projects and/or renovation projects and specialized equipment purchases related to cultural infrastructure projects intended for professional arts and /or heritage activities.

Applicants will be assessed on the submitted application and based on the following criteria:

- A regional analysis prioritizes projects on the basis of the Program's assessment criteria and the extent to which projects address the needs and gaps of underserved communities and groups, such as official language minority communities, Aboriginal communities and ethno-cultural communities; and,
- Projects will then be submitted to a National Review Committee, which considers the distribution of program funds across the country and the national needs or gaps related to underserved communities and groups, as indicated above.

The CCSF program can finance up to 50% of eligible projects.

The Hamilton Children's Museum Expansion project provided for Council's endorsement is approximately 2.3 million dollars and aligns with the CCSF criteria. The project provides a permanent benefit, long-term impact and return on investment. Further, this project aligns with the City of Hamilton's Vision: to be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

The project has the potential to develop partnerships with community groups and serve underutilized groups at the same time generating income. Further, the project has the potential to generate revenue for surrounding and secondary businesses such as hotels, restaurants and retail shops and to create employment.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

N/A

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.

Economic Prosperity and Growth

Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.

Healthy and Safe Communities

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

Clean and Green

Hamilton is environmentally sustainable with a healthy balance of natural and urban spaces.

Built Environment and Infrastructure

Hamilton is supported by state of the art infrastructure, transportation options, buildings and public spaces that create a dynamic City.

Culture and Diversity

Hamilton is a thriving, vibrant place for arts, culture, and heritage where diversity and inclusivity are embraced and celebrated.

Our People and Performance

Hamiltonians have a high level of trust and confidence in their City government.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

N/A

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