

# CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

General Issues Committee: April 18, 2018

**MOVED BY MAYOR F. EISENBERGER.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

### **Commercial Retail Outlets**

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has approved new Commercial Mixed Use Zoning, pending the outcome of appeals, that contemplates residential and mixed use intensification within commercial uses, such as malls and plazas;

WHEREAS, new Secondary Plans, including the Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan, contemplate residential uses within Mixed Use Medium and Mixed Use High Density designations;

WHEREAS, the current review of the Growth Related Integrated Development Strategy (GRIDS) process will be identifying mixed use and higher residential intensification targets in certain corridors (e.g. major transit station areas);

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton, through its Urban Official Plan and Zoning By-law 05-200, generally supports mixed use intensification of many commercial sites within existing urban areas;

WHEREAS, complete communities and sustainable growth recognize the importance in commercial mixed use areas; and,

WHEREAS, commercial models are changing and many precedents now exist wherein new residential, commercial and office uses have been sensitively integrated onto commercial sites;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That Economic Development staff be directed to consult with operators and owners of commercial properties, with respect to the new, expanded potential for residential and mixed use intensification within many existing commercial areas, such as shopping malls; to explore their interest in mixed use development; and, to identify if any further barriers remain to supporting this form of development.