CITY OF HAMILTON
NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: April 25, 2018

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR

Capital Funding for the John Rebecca Park Project

WHEREAS, the John Rebecca Park has approved design funding as part of the 2018 Capital budget;

WHEREAS, Information Report PW16096 was received by General Issues Committee on November 2, 2016, and outlined the history of the park design;

WHEREAS, the Beasley Neighbourhood currently has a deficit of parkland of 3.9 hectares and the citizens have long advocated for the advancement of the park design and construction through delegations to committee;

WHEREAS, the capital construction costs are estimated at $2.5 million, and are shown in project id 4401856615 in 2021 and 2022 capital budget forecast;

WHEREAS, the new Downtown Secondary Plan places an emphasis on enhancing parks and open spaces in our Downtown Growth Centre and the John Rebecca Park plan aligns with the sustainable themes the plan endorses;

WHEREAS, through thorough consultation and engagement over time, the well-established and regarded Patrick J. McNally Charitable Foundation graciously committed one million dollars toward the capital funding of the John Rebecca Park project; and

WHEREAS, the city owns a majority of the future park and can proceed with development of the park once an approved capital funding source for construction is identified;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the $2.5 Million construction cost for the John Rebecca Park be funded as follows:

(a) $1,000,000 external revenues (private donation – agreement to be signed)
(b) $750,000 from the Capital Account Property Purchases and Sales (3560150200)
(c) $750,000 from the Parking Capital Reserve #108021