Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council Submitted on Thursday, August 9, 2018 - 10:29 am

==Committee Requested== **Committee: Healthy & Safe Communities** (Previously Emergency & Community Services)

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Reason(s) for delegation request: Time sensitive request for August 15th meeting: On July 31st, the Province of Ontario announced without consultation that it would cancel the Ontario Basic Income Pilot program. 1,000 residents of Hamilton are enrolled in the program and will significantly and adversely affected by this unconscionable decision. In consultation with Paul Johnson, we felt Councillors would be interested in a briefing on the pilot, our discussions with Ministry staff and a recent visit to Queen's Park to discuss this unacceptable announcement. Sheila Regehr is chair of the Basic Income Canada Network and has been coordinating with the Roundtable on strategy. Will you be requesting funds from the City? No Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No