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

| TO:                     | Mayor and Members  
                          | General Issues Committee |
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| COMMITTEE DATE:        | December 12, 2018   |
| SUBJECT/REPORT NO:     | Arts Advisory Commission 2019 Budget Submission (PED18235) (City Wide) |
| WARD(S) AFFECTED:      | City Wide           |
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| SUBMITTED BY:          | Anna M. Bradford  
                          | Director, Tourism and Culture  
                          | Planning and Economic Development Department |

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Arts Advisory Commission 2019 base budget submission, attached as Appendix ‘A’ to Report PED18235, in the amount of $9,000, be approved and referred to the 2019 budget process for consideration.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2019 budget request will enable the Arts Advisory Commission (AAC) to fulfil its mandate and is consistent with the previous years’ budget requests.

*Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable*

**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Financial:** For 2019, the AAC has requested a base budget of $9,000. The 2018 base budget was $9,000.

**Staffing:** N/A

**Legal:** N/A
HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Arts Advisory Commission has the following mandate:

To recommend activities for the stabilization and strengthening of the arts community; to inform Council of issues and achievements in the Hamilton arts community; to liaise with and act as a point of contact for members of the arts community regarding issues affecting the arts community; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Public Art Program; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Arts Awards Program.

The primary focus of the Arts Advisory Commission over the last three years has been community outreach as outlined in the Big Picture 2017 Art Forum event and report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

N/A

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

In preparation of Report PED18235, Tourism and Culture Division staff consulted with the Arts Advisory Commission, which approved the 2019 Budget Submission, attached as Appendix A to Report PED18235, at its July 24, 2018 meeting.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

In 2019 the Arts Advisory Commission (AAC) will be undertaking a number of initiatives, identified in the Big Picture 2017 arts community consultation report needed for the community to grow and to continue contributing to the quality of life and economy of Hamilton.

In addition, the AAC will continue to fulfil its on-going responsibilities with regards to the City of Hamilton Arts Awards, the Public Art Program and to deal with relevant issues as they arise.

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.

**Culture and Diversity**

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

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

Appendix ‘A’ to Report PED18235 – 2019 Arts Advisory Commission Budget Submission

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