



CITY OF HAMILTON
City Manager's Office
Human Resources Division

TO:	Chair and Members Healthy and Safe Communities
COMMITTEE DATE:	December 17, 2018
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2019 Budget Submission Seniors Advisory Committee (HUR18019) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Seniors Advisory Committee 2019 base budget submission in the amount of \$2500.00 be approved and forwarded to the 2019 budget process.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the process for submission of budgets for the Volunteer Advisory Committees, the Seniors Advisory Committee budget for 2019, in the amount of \$2500.00, is being submitted for approval.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 3

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: The budget request for 2019 has increased by \$1000.00 in order to enable the committee to continue supporting Seniors-related events (International Day of the Older Person; Seniors Month Kick-off Event and Senior of the Year Award).

Staffing: N/A

Legal: N/A

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

At their November 2, 2018 meeting, the Seniors Advisory Committee gave consideration to their budget needs for 2019. Their budget submission is attached as Appendix "A" to Report HUR18019. The budget includes incidental costs to support the Committee as well as additional costs for specific events, programs and initiatives.

The Seniors Advisory Committee is requesting a budget increase of \$1000.00 for a 2019 budget request of \$2500.00. In 2018, the Committee requested and was approved a budget in the amount of \$1500.00, which was allocated to cover the cost of monthly meeting expenses including refreshments. The increase of \$1000.00 has been included to provide support for the following annual Seniors related events:

- International Day of the Older Person;
- Seniors Month Kick-off Event; and
- Senior of the Year Award.

In accordance with the volunteer committee budget process, the budget is recommended for approval

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The Seniors Advisory Committee is able to put surplus funds from each year into a reserve, for future purposes and request the use of those funds, in future years, for specific activities. The possibility gives the Committee the opportunity to plan ahead to undertake specific projects or initiatives, in future years, while minimizing increases in their budgets. The Seniors Advisory Committee has not yet determined all of their activities for 2019. Should additional funding be required in 2019 and be available in the Seniors Advisory Committee reserves, requests for reserve funding will be made at the appropriate time.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

The Seniors Advisory Committee discussed their 2019 budget needs at their November 2, 2018 committee meeting.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The recommendation will provide funding for the operations of the Seniors Advisory Committee to enable them to continue to fulfil their terms of reference.

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ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

The alternative would be not to fund the operations of the Advisory Committee. This is not recommended as they provide valuable service and advice to both Council and staff of the City and bring voices to our deliberations that might not otherwise be heard.

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

Appendix A to Report HUR18019 – Senior Advisory Committee

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