

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Public Works Committee: April 29, 2019

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....**

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

**Bee City Designation for the City of Hamilton (City Wide)**

WHEREAS, the goal of Bee City Canada designation is to promote healthy, sustainable habitats and communities for pollinators;

WHEREAS, bees and other pollinators around the globe have experienced dramatic declines due to land fragmentation, habitat loss, use of pesticides, industrialized agriculture, climate change and the spread of pests and diseases, with serious implications for the future health of flora and fauna;

WHEREAS, cities and their residents have the opportunity to support bees and other pollinators on both public and private land;

WHEREAS, supporting pollinators fosters environmental awareness and sustainability, and increases interactions and engagement among community stewards; and,

WHEREAS, by becoming a Bee City, the City of Hamilton can highlight initiatives already in place and further engage local communities in an environment of creativity and innovation which will promote a healthier life for our community;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the appropriate staff be requested to submit the Bee City Canada Application to designate Hamilton as a Bee City and that the Council of the City of Hamilton accepts the designation and commits to the standards of the Bee City Canada Program, attached as Appendix "A" to the Motion respecting Bee City Designation for the City of Hamilton.