

Revised Item 11.1

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 staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on actions and potential costs required to meet the designation standards of a Bee City by Bee City Canada.