

## INFORMATION REPORT

то:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	May 2, 2019
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Gage Hancharek - Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, Dignity (PLURD) Update (HSC19022) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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## **COUNCIL DIRECTION**

At the August 15, 2018 Healthy and Safe Communities Committee meeting, the following direction was given:

"The proposal from Gage Hancharek respecting PLURD (Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, Dignity) was endorsed in principle and referred to staff to investigate public service announcements and other supports the City of Hamilton can provide to Gage Hancharek, for a report back to the Healthy & Safe Communities Committee".

## **INFORMATION**

Staff connected with Gage to discuss his delegation, interests and how the City may be able to provide support. Gage expressed an interest in developing a commercial and a youth music festival to promote the values of peace, love, respect, unity and dignity (PLURD).

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Staff have worked to connect Gage with contacts in the community to explore opportunities and find synergies on this topic and to partner with Gage's interests. Specific community partners included:

- Cable 14
- Centre 3 Media
- Hamilton Arts Council
- Re-Create Outreach Arts Studio
- Living Rock (Youth Arts)
- Art Forms
- Hamilton Youth poets
- Ghandi Peace Festival
- Eva Youth Opportunities Creators

Information was provided to Gage regarding potential funding opportunities through #RisingYouth Community Service Grants program, supported by the Federal Government.

As Gage refines his projects, staff have committed to continue to be available for further support as he explores the opportunities within the community and through the granting process.

## APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None