

CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: June 12, 2019

MOVED BY MAYOR EISENBERGER.....

Audit and Accountability Fund: Expression of Interest

WHEREAS, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has announced the launch of the Audit and Accountability Fund;

WHEREAS, the Audit and Accountability Fund offers large municipalities an opportunity to benefit from provincial funding to conduct service delivery and administrative expenditure reviews with the goal of finding efficiencies while protecting front-line services;

WHEREAS, the proposed review project will:

- (a) Review municipal service delivery expenditures to find efficiencies. The review project could take a number of forms including:
 - a. A line-by-line review of the municipality’s entire budget;
 - b. A review of service delivery and modernization opportunities
 - c. A review of administrative processes to reduce costs
- (b) Result in a final report by the independent third-party reviewer that provides specific and actionable recommendations for cost savings and improved efficiencies.
- (c) Be completed by November 30, 2019. Municipal applicants will be required to post publicly the independent third-party report that outlines the analysis, findings and actionable recommendations by November 20, 2019.

WHEREAS the Province is providing one-time funds up to \$250,000 or greater in some circumstances for eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, interested municipalities must confirm to the Ontario government its intention to apply to the program by June 14, 2019 and an Expression of Interest by June 30, 2019;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

That staff provide at the June 19, 2019 GIC options for potential application to the Audit and Accountability Fund, that fall within the criteria of the program guidelines, with an associated cost of up to \$250,000.