

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Planning Committee Date: June 4, 2019

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Year Round Live-Aboards at West Harbour Marinas / Yacht Clubs

WHEREAS, Year-round live-aboard residents have resided in the west harbour for over two decades;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton recently permitted 2018-19 off-season live-aboard residents with a willing host at Macassa Bay Yacht Club/Marina and there were no complaints or impacts respecting this permission; and,

WHEREAS, The Mission Statement from the year-round live-aboards currently residing on the water in Hamilton is to “promote a living alterative lifestyle on the waters of Hamilton Harbour within the Community of Hamilton”;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That should a willing host (for example, if Macassa Bay Yacht Club expresses written consent as a sub-landlord) a Live-Aboard sub-committee of the Planning Committee be established, with an objective to create a feasibility study over a two-year period;
- (b) That the sub-committee be comprised of the appropriate City of Hamilton staff, the ward councillor, representatives from each interested marina/yacht club and representatives from the current live-aboard residents;
- (c) That the issue of year-round live-aboards related to any ongoing negotiations respecting City of Hamilton long-term leases with Marinas and Yacht Clubs be held in abeyance until such time as the feasibility study report is reported back to the Planning Committee; and,
- (d) That live-aboards continue to be permitted to live year-round until the Planning Committee deals with the matter once the feasibility study is finalized.