Multi-Use Community Hub for Diverse and Marginalized Communities

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Delegation Outline

- Why this is necessary
- Why now
- Community engagement
Why this is necessary

- Diverse and marginalized communities benefit from working together but even more so when that work is supported by access to **sustainable** resources:
  - a stable foundation from which to build; rebuilding foundations drains limited resources
Why now

- **Recognition** of a persistent issue: Mapping the Void; StatsCan; marked increase in incidents

- Not a new issue: longstanding lack of dedicated safe and City-supported space for diverse and marginalized communities in Hamilton
Community engagement

● Rigorous community engagement focused on:

○ meeting members of diverse and marginalized communities where they’re at

○ engaging those most impacted
Community engagement

- The language in the motion to “convene with community groups and organizations” is on the right track but I would suggest caution around who is deemed a “community group” or “community organization” (i.e. who is a stakeholder)
Community engagement

- Being thoughtful about the impact of how, when, in what manner, and with how much notice communities are engaged with
What I’m asking for

- That you support this motion
- That you check in with constituents who are part of diverse and marginalized communities around the engagement process to ensure that there is broad input as part of the reporting process