CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

Council Date: May 13, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....

Implications of COVID-19 on Golf Operations

WHEREAS COVID-19 has ushered in new public health guidelines and Provincial and Municipal restrictions aimed at limiting the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS all indoor and outdoor private and public recreational amenities have been subject to these Provincial and public health guidelines and restrictions;

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton owns and manages three 18-hole public golf courses: the Beddoe, the Martin and King's Forest Golf Courses;

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic presents risks that could negatively impact golf operations and attendance with the addition of unforeseen and planned expenses such as: restricted access to golf carts, mandated maximum size of gatherings inside and around the clubhouse including at food service areas and pro shop operations, the costs of personal protective equipment and new sanitation requirements and for staff and for operations; and

WHEREAS in a normal year, the golf season typically opens in the month of May or earlier, weather permitting.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That City staff be requested to report back as soon as possible on the anticipated financial impact for the City of Hamilton's golf operations for the upcoming golf season given the implications of COVID-19 on golf operations.