



**CITY OF HAMILTON  
City Manager's Office**

**INFORMATION REPORT**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	December 9, 2020
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	COVID-19 Emergency Delegated Authority By-Law Update (CM20004(c)) (City Wide)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
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The purpose of this Information Report is to provide Council with an update on the use of the Emergency Delegated Authority By-law from July 25, 2020 to November 11, 2020.

**BACKGROUND**

On March 12, 2020, the City activated its Emergency Operation Centre under the City's Emergency Management Plan, pursuant to the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA).

On March 17, 2020 the Province of Ontario declared a state of emergency under the EMCPA.

On March 20, 2020 Council adopted Emergency Delegated Authority By-law 20-044 granting the City Manager delegated authority to take certain actions during the COVID-19 Emergency. At the time the By-law was passed, Council requested updates be provided on the exercise of authority under the By-law.

Two Information Reports titled, "COVID-19 Emergency Delegated Authority By-Law Update" have been tabled with Council for the use of the delegated authority from March 23, 2020 to May 29, 2020 and June 1, 2020 to July 24, 2020 respectively.

This report is the third and final update on the use of Emergency Delegated Authority By-law 20-044 for 2020. It is not expected that further use of the by-law will be needed in 2020.

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OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

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Similar to the two updates, the By-law was used to facilitate the acceptance and quick distribution of funding from other levels of government for the COVID-19 emergency response related to housing and shelter services.

The City of Hamilton has received Federal and Provincial funding to help support the response to COVID-19 in our community. The amounts received are as follows:

- a) \$2,651,550 from Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan: Support for People Experiencing and at Risk of Homelessness; and,
- b) \$6,880,800 from Ontario's Social Services Relief Fund, provided through the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI).

In this reporting period, these funds were distributed to various community organizations under the terms of the funding agreements, as outlined in Appendix "A" to Report CM20004(c).

The City received notification of new incremental funding allocation under Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan to Support People Experiencing and At Risk of Homelessness in the amount of \$5,306,800. This amount is intended to complement the current Reaching Home funding. This funding will come to Emergency and Community Services Committee for approval November 19, 2020 and seeking authority of the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities. The Emergency Delegated By-Law authority will no longer be required.

On a go forward basis the provincial Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2 was on an application basis. The City, with Council approval applied for \$11,323,812. This funding came to Council for approval and seeking authority of the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities through Report HSC20036 in September 2020. The Emergency Delegated By-Law authority will no longer be required.

**APPENDICES ATTACHED**

Appendix "A" to Report CM20004(c) – COVID-19 Services and Expenditures Funded by Federal and Provincial Governments and Approved by the COVID-19 Emergency Delegated Authority By-law Update July 25 to November 11, 2020.