

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Issues Committee: December 9, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. CLARK.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR M. PEARSON.....

COVID-19 Support for Local Businesses

WHEREAS, the Report of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery includes a number of recommendations related to supporting economic recovery by providing easy access for local businesses to information and resources related to financial support programs and public health best practices;

WHEREAS, the City's three Chambers of Commerce have undertaken significant efforts to support their members through COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the City has been partnering with the Chambers of Commerce to ensure that local businesses have the resources they need to navigate the new COVID-19 rules and regulations, including collaborating to develop and launch the COVID-19 Business Continuity and Economic Recovery website as well as the COVID Business Impact Survey;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the City's Economic Development Division collaborate with the Hamilton, Flamborough and Stoney Creek Chambers of Commerce to **establish a COVID-Concierge service through the Hamilton Business Centre**, including the creation of information materials, phone line, and on-line one-stop resource centre for COVID-19 related information for local businesses, to be funded to an upset limit of \$150,000 from the Economic Development Initiatives capital account (3621708900).