

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Planning Committee: May 4, 2021

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Water and Waste Water Infrastructure Upgrades to Support Intensification

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton will be considering the establishment of an aggressive target for the accommodation of future growth to 2051 through intensification;

WHEREAS, it is expected that the Downtown Hamilton Urban Growth Centre (UGC) will continue to be identified as a “Primary Node” for the accommodation of future intensification and as the area in the City with the highest target density;

WHEREAS, the City’s Downtown Secondary Plan Policy 6.1.13(b) states that “the processing and approval of development applications shall be contingent on the availability of water and wastewater capacity, and stormwater capacity”

WHEREAS, ensuring the Downtown Hamilton UGC is “shovel-ready” for intensification by strategically delivering key infrastructure upgrades will be critical to meeting the City’s growth targets;

WHEREAS, the City regularly undertakes lifecycle replacement of water and wastewater infrastructure throughout the city, funded through the Rates Budget;

WHEREAS, the City’s 2019 Development Charges By-law has allocated an amount of \$15 million for the 5-year planning period toward the growth-related component of infrastructure upgrades required to support planned intensification across the City;

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity to strategically align both the Rates-funded lifecycle replacement of water and wastewater infrastructure with the DC-funded capacity increases needed to support expected intensification within the Downtown Hamilton UGC;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That PED and PW be directed to identify strategic locations for the upgrading of

water and wastewater servicing capacity to support high potential near-term intensification opportunities within the Downtown Hamilton Urban Growth Centre; and

- (b) That PED and PW jointly report back to Planning Committee with a strategy for advancing the lifecycle replacement of water and wastewater infrastructure within these strategic locations in order to facilitate and support intensification