



**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**  
**Government Relations & Community Engagement Division**

<b>TO:</b>	Chair and Members Grants Sub-Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	December 1, 2021
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	2022 City Enrichment Fund Advance Payments (GRA21004) (City Wide)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
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**RECOMMENDATION**

- (a) That staff be authorized and directed to provide advance monthly payments to 2022 City Enrichment Fund applicants, as shown in Appendix "A" to Report GRA21004, based upon 2021 funding levels, prior to final approval of the 2022 City Enrichment Fund budget; and,
- (b) That any outstanding arrears due to the City of Hamilton, by any of the organizations listed in Appendix "A" to Report GRA21004, be paid in full utilizing the approved advance funding, prior to the organization receiving any City Enrichment Fund payments.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In 2015, Council approved the launch of the new City Enrichment Fund. Organizations that were previously funded through Boards & Agencies were transitioned over to the new program. In order to avoid undue hardship to their operations, it was felt that the advances should continue ahead of the approval of the 2022 budget.

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For the organizations listed in the report (attached as Appendix “A” to Report GRA21004), the City follows a policy which ensures that grant payments are not made until outstanding arrears owing to the City of Hamilton are paid off.

**Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable**

**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Financial: Based on Council approval of the 2022 funding levels, the remaining payments to these organizations would be adjusted to ensure that total payment amounts do not exceed the 2022 Council approved funding level, which is expected by June 2022. There is no additional change to existing Council approved budget.

Staffing: None

Legal: None

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS**

The City has been supporting various Boards and Agencies with operational funding in the past. Since these organizations depend on the City to fund their operational expenditures, past practice has been to provide regular on-going payments pending the approval of the City Budget for each year. The proposed payment schedule closely follows that of 2021.

**RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

**ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION**

To be consistent with prior years, staff is seeking approval to continue funding as of January 2022, for those organizations that receive funding (attached as Appendix “A” to Report GRA21004) on a monthly basis, pending approval of the 2022 budget. The funding is based on the previous year’s budget and is adjusted if necessary, when the current year’s budget receives Council approval.

**ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION**

None.

**ALIGNMENT TO THE 2016 – 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN**

**Community Engagement and Participation**

Hamilton has an open, transparent and accessible approach to City government that engages with and empowers all citizens to be involved in their community

**Culture and Diversity**

Hamilton is a thriving, vibrant place for arts, culture, and heritage where diversity and inclusivity are embraced and celebrated.

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

Appendix “A” to GRA21004 – 2022 Advance, City Enrichment Fund