

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Council: November 24, 2021

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR S. MERULLA.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....**

**Review of the Powers Delegated to the Head of Council Under the *Municipal Act 2001, As Amended***

WHEREAS, under the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, the Province of Ontario gives municipalities broad powers to pass bylaws and govern within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario has outlined the level of authority for the Head of Council in Part 6: Practices and Procedures; Municipal Organization and Administration of the *Municipal Act 2001*, as amended;

WHEREAS, the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended limits the powers of the Head of Council;

WHEREAS, the Head of Council as the Chief Executive Officer, has no greater decision-making authority than that of any other Member of Council; and

WHEREAS, Council for the City of Hamilton believes that the Head of Council should be granted greater authority, not limited to but including veto powers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Council for the City of Hamilton request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing undertake a review of the powers delegated to the Head of Council under the *Municipal Act 2001*, as amended and consider revising these powers to permit an increase in the level of authority; and
- (b) That the City Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all municipalities in Ontario and Association of Municipalities of Ontario.