



CITY OF HAMILTON
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES
Healthy Environments Division

TO:	Mayor and Members Board of Health
COMMITTEE DATE:	November 15, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Budget Request for Food Advisory Committee 2022 (BOH21011) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Food Advisory Committee 2022 base budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH21011 in the amount of \$1,500, be approved.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Food Advisory Committee requests that a total budget of \$1,500 be referred to the 2022 budget process for consideration to cover basic committee expenses.

Alternatives for Consideration – See Page 3

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: If the recommendation is not approved, the Food Advisory Committee would not have the budget to operate in 2022.

Staffing: Not Applicable.

Legal: Not Applicable.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Food Advisory Committee was created as a result of the City of Hamilton's 2014 advisory committee review process and the City of Hamilton's 2016 endorsement of the Hamilton Food Strategy. This committee consolidated attention toward food issues that were previously addressed on two separate advisory committees. The Food Advisory Committee can accommodate 13 to 18 members who are appointed by City Council. Membership includes a range of food system expertise in farming and food businesses, food literacy, food access and waste, policy, non-profit/community-based food programs, and a non-voting Staff Liaison from the Public Health Services, Healthy Environments Division.

Since 2016, the Food Advisory Committee has advised the Board of Health on Hamilton's Food Strategy actions and focused on community food security with a broader health-promoting food system lens. Since May 2019, when this term's membership started, the Food Advisory Committee has informed and participated in two Food Strategy events and intends to continue to advise and support the implementation of Food Strategy actions in 2022.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

No policy implications or legislated requirements applicable.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

City of Hamilton's Corporate Finance Services were consulted regarding the process and template to use for submitting Advisory Committee budget requests, along with ensuring adequate funds were available to the Food Advisory Committee.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Food Advisory Committee has put forward a base budget request of \$1,500 to cover basic expenses. To continue to effectively implement their mandate, including conducting relevant community engagement/event(s) and research.

The Food Advisory Committee budget request is attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH21011.

The Food Advisory Committee's full mandate is outlined in their Terms of Reference, attached as Appendix "B" to Report BOH21011.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

Council could choose not to refer the Food Advisory Committee budget request for 2022 to the budget process for Advisory Committees.

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

Economic Prosperity and Growth

Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.

Healthy and Safe Communities

Hamilton is a safe and supportive City where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

Clean and Green

Hamilton is environmentally sustainable with a healthy balance of natural and urban spaces.

Built Environment and Infrastructure

Hamilton is supported by state-of-the-art infrastructure, transportation options, buildings and public spaces that create a dynamic City.

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 Report BOH21011:	Completed Advisory Committee Budget Template
Appendix "B" to Report BOH21011:	Terms of Reference Food Advisory Committee