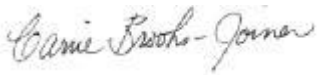




**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**  
**Tourism and Culture Division**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	December 8, 2021
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	Arts Advisory Commission Budget Submission (PED21218) (City Wide)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
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**RECOMMENDATION**

- (a) That the Arts Advisory Commission 2022 base Budget submission, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21218 in the amount of \$9,000, be approved; and,
- (b) That, in addition to the base funding of \$9,000, a one-time Budget allocation for 2022 of \$10,330, for community outreach about pandemic recovery, to be funded by the Arts Advisory Commission Reserve, be approved.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2022 Budget request will enable the Arts Advisory Commission (AAC) to undertake consultation and outreach events with the arts community to share ideas and support the community in its recovery from the COVID pandemic.

**Alternatives for Consideration - *Not Applicable***

**FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Financial:** For 2022, the AAC has requested a base Budget of \$9,000 and additional funding of \$10,300 from the AAC Reserve. The 2021 base Budget was \$9,000. The AAC Reserve is currently \$18,815.62.

**Staffing:** None

**Legal:** None

## **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

The Arts Advisory Commission has the following mandate:

To recommend activities for the stabilization and strengthening of the arts community; to inform Council of issues and achievements in the Hamilton arts community; to liaise with and act as a point of contact for members of the arts community regarding issues affecting the arts community; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Public Art Program; to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Arts Awards Program.

The primary focus of the Arts Advisory Commission pre pandemic was community outreach in response the priorities developed through consultation with the arts community at the Big Picture 2017 Art Forum event. Given the effects of the pandemic on the arts community, the ACC undertook the Celebrating Resilience in the Arts Project and Survey in 2021 to begin to outreach to the arts community around pandemic recovery.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS**

This work is in alignment with the recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on COVID recovery.

There are no legislated requirements associated with the recommendation in Report PED21218.

## **RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

In preparation of Report PED21218, Tourism and Culture Division staff consulted with the AAC, which approved the 2022 Budget submission, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21218, at its September 28, 2021 meeting.

## **ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION**

In 2022 AAC will be undertaking consultation and outreach events with the arts community to share ideas and support the community in its recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. These events will be focused on a symposium planned for early 2022 and informed by the recent Celebrating Resilience in the Arts Project and Survey. The results of this symposium are expected to guide the work of the AAC in the coming years in line with its mandate.

In addition, the AAC will continue to fulfil its on-going responsibilities with regards to the City of Hamilton Arts Awards, the Public Art Program and to deal with relevant issues as they arise.

### **ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION – *Not Applicable***

### **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.

#### **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” – City of Hamilton 2022 Advisory Committees Budget Submission Arts Advisory Commission