CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

COUNCIL: April 27, 2022

MOVED BY MAYOR F. EISENBERGER.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

FINANCIAL RELIEF FOR UKRAINE AID

WHEREAS, the dire humanitarian situation in Ukraine has led to extreme shortages of medical and health supplies, non-perishable food, or non-lethal military essential materials (boots, tactical gloves, helmets, knee/elbow pads, socks, underwear, carrier vests);

WHEREAS, Taras Bulba Ukraine Support 2022 (local volunteers) are coordinating large donations of these critically needed goods which require air and ground transport to the Ukraine;

WHEREAS, financial donations of over \$50,000 from organizations (such as the Ukrainian Credit Union and their members) and individuals in our community have financed the transit of supplies to date but additional funding from the City is requested to support the relief effort;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Hamilton provide a grant of up to \$50,000, to be funded from Tax Stabilization Reserve 110046, towards air and ground transportation costs incurred by Taras Bulba Ukraine Support 2022 for a maximum of four cargo shipments scheduled between late April through June 2022.

Attachment:

Letter from Taras Bulba Ukraine Support 2022 requesting the City's assistance.



TARAS BULBA UKRAINE SUPPORT 2022

FEDERAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION EST. 04/20/2022 DIRECTOR: STEFAN T. SOBOLEWSKI EMAIL: TARASBULBA2022@HOTMAIL.COM

April 22nd, 2022

Greetings Honorable Mayor Fred Eisenberger,

Thank you for taking the time to find assistance with my Hamilton Ukrainian Humanitarian Support charters. I had the opportunity to speak with the associate Dean/School of Engineering Technology Mohawk College, this afternoon and there will be space provided until June 1st. Regarding costs, I would like now to take this time and request to you and City council to help assist our Ukraine humanitarian aid funding.

In the grand total picture, we would kindly request to you Mayor and City Council a total funding request of \$50,000.00 to support 4 upcoming humanitarian aid charters + transports. Our aid is categorized in 4 sections:

1) Medical (catheters, gauzes, first aid kits, saline, tourniquets, Ibuprofen 400ml, hospital gowns, syringes, etc)

2) Hygiene (soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, disinfectant wipes, diapers, feminine hygiene)

3) Non-perishable food items (canned food, dry food, baby formula, etc)

4) Military non-lethal (boots, tactical gloves, helmets, knee/elbow pads, socks, underwear, carrier vests)

I plan to have these charter flights take place between April and June 2022. Each charter flight allows us to fill 4 upper-deck cargo containers of a maximum 650 boxes in total. I look forward to your response Mayor and City Council and truly appreciate that I have this opportunity to present this matter to you all at this critical time.

Your truly,

Stefan T. Sobolewski