## CITY OF HAMILTON

## **MOTION**

Council's Request for the City's Tribunals to Consider Adjusting their Meeting Format

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of Hamilton has delegated their authority to Tribunals to make decisions on their behalf;

WHEREAS, the City's Tribunals fall under the *Statutory Powers Procedures Act* and under Section 5.2(1) permits electronic participation for Hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Term Priorities for Council includes Trust and Confidence in Government with a goal to "Provide the public with greater access to City government information and opportunities to become more engaged in decision making processes that impact their community".

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Council requests that the City's Tribunals consider continuing to provide live streaming of public meetings and to continue to permit electronic participation, in addition to in-person participation, for all the parties, members of the public and the members of the tribunal participating in the Tribunal;
- (b) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each of the City's Tribunals; and
- (c) That staff be authorized and directed to provide any required staffing support and technology to support electronic participation at Tribunal meetings, to be funded from the Development Fee Stabilization Reserve for 2022 and referred to the 2023 budget process for future years.