Council: March 31, 2021

## CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

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Conservation Authorities Act - Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors

WHEREAS some specific provisions in the *Conservation Authorities Act* were recently proclaimed to initiate changes to conservation authority governance; and

WHEREAS the future citizen appointments to the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors would be impacted by the requirement to have 70% of board members to be elected officials unless Hamilton Conservation Authority's participating municipalities, the City of Hamilton and Township of Puslinch, apply to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requesting an exception;

## THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Council endorse the current complement of five elected officials and five citizen appointments from the City of Hamilton to the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors, which recognizes the valuable contributions of citizen representatives and the limited time Councillors have to sit on additional boards and committees; and
- (b) That the City of Hamilton make application to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to request an exception to have 50% of board members to be elected officials to maintain the current complement of five citizen appointments on the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors.