

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

| то: | Mayor and Members General Issues Committee |
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| COMMITTEE DATE: | November 30, 2022 |
| SUBJECT/REPORT NO: | Arts Advisory Commission Budget Submission (PED22209) (City Wide) |
| WARD(S) AFFECTED: | City Wide |
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RECOMMENDATION

That the Arts Advisory Commission 2023 budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED22209 in the amount of \$9,000 be approved and referred to the 2023 budget process for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2023 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 2023, the AAC has requested a flatlined base budget of \$9,000.

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. In 2022 the AAC has focused on arts community recovery.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

This work is in alignment with the Council approved mandate of the AAC and the recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on COVID recovery.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

The Arts Advisory Commission, approved the 2023 budget submission, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED22209, at its November 22nd, 2022 meeting.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

On November 18th 2022 the AAC will host The Big Picture – Celebrating Resilience in the Arts Symposium as part of its consultation and outreach events with the arts community. The outcomes 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

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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" to Report PED22209 - 2023 Advisory Committees Budget Submission - Arts Advisory Commission