

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council: December 7, 2022

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. CLARK.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Amendment to Item 5 of the Emergency and Community Services Committee Report 21-013, respecting Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 4 (HSC20020(d)), which was approved by Council on December 15, 2021

WHEREAS, Council on December 15, 2021 approved funding YWCA Hamilton for capital renovations required to continue to operate Carol Anne's Place as a temporary drop in program for 22 single homeless women until June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the capital renovations were delayed and the dates as stipulated by Council will not be met due to extenuating circumstances;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That sub-section (b) of Item 5 of the Emergency and Community Services Committee Report 21-013, respecting Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 4 (HSC20020(d)), be **amended** by adjusting the date to read as follows:

5. Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 4 (HSC20020(d)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

- (b) That an additional grant in the approximate amount of \$500 K to the YWCA Hamilton for capital renovations required to continue to operate Carol Anne's Place as a temporary drop in program for 22 single homeless women until **March 31, 2023**, funded from the projected 2021 Housing Services Division surplus through the Tax Stabilization Reserve #110046 and if necessary, from in-year surpluses of the department; any unspent Housing Services Division 2021 surplus be transferred to the Housing Supplement/Housing Allowance Reserve, #112252 be approved;

Main Motion, As ***Amended***, to read as follows:

5. Adaptation and Transformation of Services for People Experiencing Homelessness Update 4 (HSC20020(d)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

- (a) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be authorized to continue to enter into contracts necessary to secure access and purchase of service for continued enhancement of supports for Hamilton's homeless-serving system during COVID-19 and be funded from any available source jointly deemed appropriate by the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department and the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department including, but not limited to, one or more of the following sources: Reaching Home, Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative, any available provincial or federal funding:
 - (i) Transitioning 378 Main Street East (the former Cathedral Boys School) into a temporary shelter for women (approximately 80-100 beds) at an approximate cost of \$1 M for the period of January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022;
 - (ii) Adding approximately 28 temporary emergency shelter beds as men's system overflow at an approximate cost of \$350 K for the period of January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022;
 - (iii) That the establishment of a funding source of up to \$500 K to support independent agencies and community entities (e.g. community collaboratives/churches/social clubs, etc.) who may be interested in supporting vulnerable residents through the winter months until March 31, 2022 but who may not have the operational funds to be viable, be approved;
 - (iv) That the creation of an Emerging Needs Fund to prevent and address homelessness experienced by Indigenous community members of Hamilton to respond to needs arising as a result of COVID-19 in the amount of \$500 K for the period of January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022 be approved;
- (b) That an additional grant in the approximate amount of \$500 K to the YWCA Hamilton for capital renovations required to continue to operate Carol Anne's Place as a temporary drop in program for 22 single homeless women until ***March 31, 2023***, funded from the projected 2021 Housing Services Division surplus through the Tax Stabilization Reserve #110046 and if necessary, from in-year surpluses of the department; any unspent Housing Services Division 2021 surplus be transferred to the Housing Supplement/Housing Allowance Reserve, #112252 be approved;

- (c) That an additional grant in the approximate amount of \$150 K to the Good Shepherd Centre Hamilton for capital renovations required to continue to operate Cathedral as a temporary shelter for women until June 30, 2022, funded from the projected 2021 Housing Services Division surplus through the Tax Stabilization Reserve #110046 and if necessary, from in-year surpluses of the department; any unspent Housing Services Division 2021 surplus be transferred to the Housing Supplement/Housing Allowance Reserve, #112252 be approved;
- (d) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be authorized to enter into contracts necessary to hire and retain a consultant to find the ways and means of implementing a New Westminster style by-law in Hamilton to deal with the issue of 'renovictions' in the approximate amount of \$100 K, funded from the projected 2021 Housing Services Division surplus through the Tax Stabilization Reserve #110046 and if necessary, from in-year surpluses of the department; any unspent Housing Services Division 2021 surplus be transferred to the Housing Supplement/Housing Allowance Reserve, #112252 be approved.
- (e) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be directed and authorized, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, to enter into, execute and administer all agreements and documents necessary to implement the purchases and grants outlined above on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (f) That the item respecting Encampment Response Update be identified as completed and removed from the Outstanding Business List.