




CITY OF HAMILTON
HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT
Housing Services Division

TO:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	January 19, 2023
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2023 Budget Submission - Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee (HSC22056) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee 2023 base budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC22056 in the amount of \$1,000 be approved and referred to the 2023 budget process for consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee has prepared and approved their budget submission for 2023 in the amount of \$1,000. This submission is consistent with the 2022 approved budget for the committee.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable

FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial:

The budget request is the same as the approved budget for the Housing and Homelessness Committee for 2022. The \$1,000 will be used for meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking, printing and transportation and a proposed 2023 committee orientation event.

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

Staffing:
N/A

Legal:
N/A

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee was established by the Emergency and Community Service Committee in November 2015 (Report CES15053) with a mandate to:

- Communicate and work to address the needs of citizens within the community for whom barriers exist to accessing safe, suitable, and affordable housing, including the supports needed to enable citizens to obtain and retain their homes, and;
- Support the City of Hamilton's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan by providing information, advice, and recommendations to the Emergency and Community Services Committee regarding the Action Plan's successful and implementation.

At their December 5, 2022 meeting, the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee gave consideration to their 2023 budget needs. Their budget submission is attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC22056. This budget covers meeting costs, including meeting rooms, refreshments, photocopying, parking, printing and transportation and a proposed orientation event for 2023. The committee is requesting the same budget they had in 2022 in the amount of \$1,000 for 2023.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATED REQUIREMENTS

The committee outlined a meeting schedule for 2023, and this budget will provide them support to undertake specific activities in their workplan. This includes transportation and parking support for committee members and speakers as the committee moves back to in-person meetings. The committee has previously used their budget for information gathering events and in 2023, plan to host an orientation event related to affordable housing for their incoming members.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

The Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee discussed their 2023 budget needs at the December 5, 2022 meeting. After a thoughtful discussion they approved a budget submission that was consistent with their 2022 budget.

ANALYSIS AND RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This budget allocation will provide funding for the operation of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee and enable them to fulfil their mandate. The committee is not asking for an increase to their budget.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

None

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.

Healthy and Safe Communities

Hamilton is a safe and supportive City where people are active, healthy, and have a high quality of life.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix “A” to Report HSC22056: Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee
2023 Budget Submission