

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

AUDIT, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE: April 6, 2023

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Fair Wage Policy Review

WHEREAS, the Fair Wage Policy has not been updated recently, especially in light of the serious changes to the industry as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, there are record-level investments in building and a renewed interest in health, hygiene, and safety on job sites; and

WHEREAS, the City and other employers are contending with an underground economy which is destabilizing the associated job markets.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Human Resources and Finance and Corporate Services staff be directed to engage in a review of the Fair Wage Policy and any related schedules through stakeholder meetings for report back to the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee by the end of Q3 2023 with recommendations; based on stakeholder feedback;
- (b) That the following stakeholder groups be included in the consulted: Christian Labour Association Canada; Electrical Construction Association Hamilton; Hamilton Brantford Ontario Building & Construction Trades Council; Golden Horseshoe General Contractors Association; Greater Hamilton & Niagara Construction Association; Hamilton Halton Construction Association; Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton Niagara; Labourers' International Union of North America; and Merit OpenShop Contributors Association of Ontario;
- (b) That there be two stakeholder meetings, inviting all stakeholders to each, at the beginning of Q3 2023; and
- (c) That members of City Council be permitted to attend as guests to hear stakeholder feedback directly.