

**PARTS III AND IX OF PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT  
(ONTARIO)  
INTERIM TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

**- between -**

**HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO  
as represented by the Attorney General**

**- and -**

**CITY OF HAMILTON**

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**PARTS III AND IX OF PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT (ONTARIO) INTERIM  
TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

**THIS PARTS III AND IX OF PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT (ONTARIO) INTERIM  
TRANSFER AGREEMENT ("Agreement")** is made on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
20\_\_,

**BETWEEN:**

**HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO  
AS REPRESENTED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

(the "**Attorney General**")

-and-

**CITY OF HAMILTON**

(the "**Municipal Partner**")

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the *Streamlining of Administration of Provincial Offences Act*, 1997, S.O. 1998, c.4, (Bill 108), the Attorney General and the Municipalities, as defined below, may enter into an agreement authorizing such municipalities, in general, to conduct court administration and court support functions under the POA, as defined below, and prosecutions of matters commenced under Parts I and II of the POA;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Attorney General and the Municipalities entered into memorandum of understandings and local side agreements whereby the Attorney General transferred to such municipalities, in general, court administration and court support functions under the POA and prosecutions of matters commenced under Parts I and II of the POA;

**AND WHEREAS**, such transfer was documented between the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner in the MOU, as defined below, and the LSA, as defined below;

**AND WHEREAS**, pursuant to the *Stronger, Fair Ontario Act (Budget Measures)*, 2017, S.O. c.34, Sched. 35, s.12, the Attorney General and the Municipalities may enter into an agreement authorizing such municipalities, in general, to conduct prosecutions commenced under the POA;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Attorney General, as part of its transfer project, intends to request amendments to the memorandum of understandings and the local side agreements in accordance with such documents from the Municipalities in order to

transfer certain prosecutions commenced under Parts III and IX of the POA prosecuted by the Criminal Law Division of the Ministry of the Attorney General to such municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Attorney General, as part of an interim transfer project, would like to transfer the prosecutions commenced under Parts III and IX of the POA prosecuted by the Criminal Law Division of the Ministry of the Attorney General to the Municipal Partner and the Municipal Partner, as a participant in such project, wishes to accept such transfer;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained in this Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby expressly acknowledged by the parties, the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner covenant and agree as follows:

## ARTICLE I – INTERPRETATION

**1.1 Definitions.** The following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them below unless there is something in the context inconsistent therewith:

- (a) **“Agreement”** means this agreement, including all of the schedules, attached hereto, and all amendments made hereto in accordance with the provisions hereof as the same may be amended, restated and/or supplemented from time to time;
- (b) **“Attorney General”** means His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Attorney General;
- (c) **“Crown”** means His Majesty the King in right of Ontario;
- (d) **“Crown Prosecution Manual”** means the document located at [www.ontario.ca/document/crown-prosecution-manual](http://www.ontario.ca/document/crown-prosecution-manual), as amended from time to time;
- (e) **“Effective Date”** means November 8, 2023;
- (f) **“Expiry Date”** means two (2) years from the Effective Date;
- (g) **“Indemnified Parties”** means each of the following and their directors, officers, advisors, agents, appointees and employees: the Crown and the members of the Executive Council of Ontario;
- (h) **“Losses”** means liabilities, costs, damages, and expenses (including legal, expert, and consulting fees);
- (i) **“LSA”** means a local side agreement between the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner with an effective date of January 26, 2000;
- (j) **“MOU”** means a memorandum of understanding between the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner dated on the execution date by the Attorney General of January 26, 2000;

- (k) **"Municipalities"** means, collectively, all of the municipalities of the Province of Ontario who have entered into a memorandum of understanding and a local side agreement for purposes of the transfer of, in general, court administration and court support functions under the POA and prosecutions of matters commenced under Parts I and II of the POA;
  - (l) **"Municipal Partner"** means **City of Hamilton**;
  - (m) **"POA"** means the *Provincial Offences Act* (Ontario);
  - (n) **"Proceedings"** mean any action, claim, demand, lawsuit, or other proceeding;
  - (o) **"Term"** means the period commencing on the Effective Date and ending on Expiry Date unless the Term is extended or otherwise terminated pursuant to this Agreement;
  - (p) **"Transfer Agreement"** means, collectively, the MOU and the LSA;
  - (q) **"Transferred Property"** means any and all property relating to the Transferred Prosecutions including, but not limited to, systems, records, data, information, and materials in the possession or control of, or owned by, the Municipal Partner unless such property has been purchased by the Municipal Partner and has not been agreed to be transferred to the Attorney General;
  - (r) **"Transferred Prosecutions"** has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 2.2(a) hereof; and
  - (s) **"WSIA"** means the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997* (Ontario).
- 1.2 Currency.** Any reference to currency is to Canadian currency and any amount disbursed, paid, or calculated is to be disbursed, paid or calculated in Canadian currency.
- 1.3 Statute and Regulation.** Any reference to a statute is to such statute and to the regulations made pursuant to such statute as such statute and regulations may at any time be amended or modified and in effect and to any statute or regulations that may be passed that have the effect of supplementing or superseding such statute or regulations.
- 1.4 Singular/Plural and Gender Terms.** Each definition in this Agreement using a singular capitalized term or other word or phrase also shall apply to the plural form and such term, word or phrase and vice versa, and all references to the masculine gender shall include reference to the feminine or neuter gender, and vice versa, in each case as the context may permit or require.
- 1.5 Pronouns.** Each use in this Agreement of neuter pronoun shall be deemed to include the masculine and feminine variations thereof and vice versa and a singular pronoun shall be deemed to include a reference to the plural variation thereof, and vice versa, in each case and the context may permit or require.

- 1.6 Sections and Other Headings.** The section and other headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 1.7 Paramountcy.** The parties hereto agree that this Agreement shall be read, to the extent possible, as an addition to and not to derogate from the Transfer Agreement and shall only supersede the specific terms and conditions of the Transfer Agreement to the extent of a conflict or an inconsistency in the circumstances. All other terms and conditions of the Transfer Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, unaffected and unaltered by this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE II –INTERIM TRANSFER OF PARTS III AND IX OF THE POA**

- 2.1 General.** The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that this Agreement shall only apply to the prosecutions prosecuted by the Criminal Law Division of the Ministry of the Attorney General under Parts III and IX of the POA.
- 2.2 Parts III and IX of the POA Interim Transfer.** On the Effective Date, the Attorney General shall:
- (a) transfer to the Municipal Partner and the Municipal Partner shall accept the following:
    - (i) the prosecutions of matters designated as contraventions under the *Contraventions Act* (Canada) and commenced under Parts III and IX of the POA;
    - (ii) prosecution of proceedings commenced under Parts III and IX of the POA;
    - (iii) the conduct of appeals of proceedings commenced under Parts III and IX of the POA where the Attorney General transferred the prosecution of the proceeding to the Municipal Partner,but such transfer excludes the following:
    - (iv) the prosecution of matters under Parts III and IX of the POA as against a Young Person, as defined under Part VI of the POA;
    - (v) any matter under Parts III and IX of the POA where criminal proceedings have also been commenced arising out of the same circumstances;
    - (vi) any proceeding under *Christopher's Law (Sex Offender Registry), 2000* (Ontario);
    - (vii) any proceeding stated in the Crown Prosecution Manual, as amended from time to time, being retained by the Attorney General;
    - (viii) any and all:

- (A) applications for leave to the Court of Appeal; and
- (B) appeals to the Court of Appeal,  
for matters with respect to Parts III and IX of the POA, which have  
been prosecuted by the Attorney General at trial;
- (ix) any and all appeals to the Ontario Court of Justice where:
  - (A) the appeal hearing is scheduled to begin within sixty (60) days  
after the Effective Date;
  - (B) the appeal hearing began before the Effective Date; or
  - (C) the Attorney General is an appellant in a matter in which it has  
prosecuted such matter at trial,for matters with respect to Parts III and IX of the POA; and
- (x) any and all Part IX of the POA proceedings where:
  - (A) the hearing is scheduled to begin within sixty (60) days after  
the Effective Date; or
  - (B) the hearing began before the Effective Date; but the order or  
disposition is not complete,

(collectively, the “**Transferred Prosecutions**”); and

- (b) deliver to the Municipal Partner:
  - (i) a list of the Transferred Prosecutions;
  - (ii) the original records and files of the Transferred Prosecutions; and
  - (iii) a list of all open files that will be retained by the Attorney General.

**2.3 Right to Intervene.** Notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, the Attorney General maintains the right to intervene in any of the Transferred Prosecutions and shall be responsible for any and all costs from such intervention.

### **ARTICLE III – COSTS**

**3.1 Costs.** The Municipal Partner shall not remit to the Minister of Finance any amount owing pursuant to Section 165(5)(c) of the POA for costs incurred by the Attorney General for matters under Sections 2.2(a)(iv) to (x) hereof; and (b) Sections 173(2)1 and 173(2)2 of the POA.

## ARTICLE IV – COVENANTS

### 4.1 The Municipal Partner's Covenants. The Municipal Partner covenants and agrees, at all times during the Term, that it shall:

- (a) provide full and timely disclosure to defendants in accordance with the law;
- (b) make efforts to advise the family members and other interested parties of significant developments throughout the proceedings in cases that involve a fatality in accordance with the Crown Prosecution Manual;
- (c) only proceed to prosecute a charge where there is a reasonable prospect of conviction and it is in the public interest to do so in accordance with the Crown Prosecution Manual;
- (d) screen all private prosecutions for reasonable prospect of conviction and, when necessary, assume the conduct of the proceedings in order to ensure that they are pursued in the interests of the administration of justice; and
- (e) maintain a reporting protocol to notify the Crown Attorney and the Attorney General of any matter that appears likely to raise a substantive legal issue at trial or appeal, including:
  - (i) an application for judicial review or prerogative writ sought in relation to a prosecution transferred;
  - (ii) any thing that may affect the administration, constitutional validity, or enforceability of a statute or regulation;
  - (iii) any matter where there could be a substantial public interest in its outcome including, but not limited to, where leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal has been granted; and
  - (iv) the anticipated withdrawal or stay of any matter involving a death while using a vehicle, a motorized snow vehicle, or an off-road vehicle under a provincial act;
- (f) as required by the Attorney General, make reasonable efforts to provide workspace for the Attorney General;
- (g) upon request, grant access to its available courtroom technology for such time as required by the Attorney General;
- (h) once informed, adhere to any and all of the Attorney General's intervention policies with respect to the Transferred Prosecutions;
- (i) adhere to all applicable laws;
- (j) provide, at a minimum, the same services and level of service delivery as were provided by the Attorney General with respect to the Transferred Prosecutions; and
- (k) as expeditiously as possible, bring to the attention of the Attorney General any and all matters that may be significant or contentious including, but not limited



to, alleged prosecutorial impropriety, misconduct, and constitutional challenges.

**4.2 The Attorney General's Covenants.** The Attorney General covenants and agrees, at all times during the Term, that it shall:

- (a) as required by the Municipal Partner, make reasonable efforts to provide workspace for the Municipal Partner; and
- (b) upon request, grant access to its available courtroom technology for such time as required by the Municipal Partner.

## **ARTICLE V – INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE**

**5.1 Indemnity from the Municipal Partner.** The Municipal Partner shall indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from and against all Losses and Proceedings, by whomever made, sustained, incurred, brought or prosecuted, arising out of, or in connection with anything done or omitted to be done by the Municipal Partner or the Municipal Partner's personnel in the course of the performance of the Municipal Partner's obligations under this Agreement or otherwise in connection with this Agreement.

**5.2 Municipal Partner's Insurance.** The Municipal Partner hereby agrees to put in effect and maintain insurance for the Term, at its own cost and expense, with insurers having a secure A.M. Best rating of B + or greater, or the equivalent, all the necessary and appropriate insurance that a prudent person in the business of the Municipal Partner would maintain including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) commercial general liability insurance on an occurrence basis for third party bodily injury, personal injury and property damage, to an inclusive limit of not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) per occurrence, Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) products and completed operations aggregate. The policy is to include the following:
  - (i) the Indemnified Parties as additional insureds with respect to liability arising in the course of performance of the Municipal Partner's obligations under, or otherwise in connection with, this Agreement;
  - (ii) contractual liability coverage;
  - (iii) cross-liability clause;
  - (iv) employers liability coverage (or compliance with the section below entitled "Proof of WSIA Coverage" is required);

- (v) thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation, termination or material change;
  - (vi) tenants legal liability coverage (if applicable and with applicable sub-limits); and
- (b) errors & omissions liability insurance, insuring liability for errors and omissions in the performance or failure to perform the services contemplated in this Agreement, in the amount of not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) per claim and in the annual aggregate.

**5.3 Proof of Insurance.** The Municipal Partner shall provide the Attorney General with certificates of insurance, or other proof as may be requested by the Attorney General, that confirms the insurance coverage as provided for in Section 5.2, hereof and renewal replacements on or before the expiry of any such insurance. Upon the request of the Attorney General, a copy of each insurance policy shall be made available to it. The Municipal Partner shall ensure that each of its subcontractors obtains all the necessary and appropriate insurance that a prudent person in the business of the subcontractor would maintain and that the Indemnified Parties are named as additional insureds with respect to any liability arising in the course of performance of the subcontractor's obligations under the subcontract for the provision of the Transferred Prosecutions.

**5.4 Proof of WSIA Coverage.** If the Municipal Partner is subject to the WSIA, it shall submit a valid clearance certificate of WSIA coverage to the Attorney General prior to the execution of this Agreement by the Attorney General. In addition, the Municipal Partner shall, from time to time at the request of the Attorney General, provide additional WSIA clearance certificates. The Municipal Partner covenants and agrees to pay when due, and to ensure that each of its subcontractors pays when due, all amounts required to be paid by it or its subcontractors, from time to time during the Term, under the WSIA, failing which the Attorney General shall have the right, in addition to and not in substitution for any other right it may have pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise at law or in equity, to pay to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board any amount due pursuant to the WSIA and unpaid by the Municipal Partner or its subcontractors and to deduct such amount from any amount due and owing from time to time to the Municipal Partner pursuant to this Agreement together with all costs incurred by the Attorney General in connection therewith.

**5.5 Municipal Partner Participation in Proceedings.** The Municipal Partner shall, at its expense, to the extent requested by the Attorney General, participate in or conduct the defence of any Proceeding against any Indemnified Parties referred to in this Article and any negotiations for their settlement. The Attorney General may elect to participate in or conduct the defence of any such Proceeding by notifying the Municipal Partner in writing of such election without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the Attorney General under this Agreement, Agreement, at law or in equity. Each party participating in the defence shall do so by actively participating

with the other's counsel. The Municipal Partner shall not enter into any settlement unless it has obtained the prior written approval of the Attorney General. If the Municipal Partner is requested by the Attorney General to participate in or conduct the defence of any such Proceeding, the Attorney General agrees to co-operate with and assist the Municipal Partner to the fullest extent possible in the Proceedings and any related settlement negotiations. If the Attorney General conducts the defence of any such Proceedings, the Municipal Partner agrees to co-operate with and assist the Attorney General to the fullest extent possible in the Proceedings and any related settlement negotiations.

- 5.6 Indemnity from the Attorney General.** Save and except for the indemnification by Ontario in favour of the Municipal Partner as provided for in section 15.2 of the MOU, the wording, scope, effect, and consequence of which shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the provisions and obligations within this Agreement, including but not limited to, those in relation to the Transferred Prosecutions as contemplated hereunder, any express or implied reference in any other document (including subcontracts) as related to the Transferred Prosecutions as contemplated hereunder or to the Attorney General providing any other indemnity or other form of indebtedness or contingent liability that would otherwise directly or indirectly increase the indebtedness or contingent liabilities of the Crown, whether at the time of execution of this Agreement or at any time during its Term, shall be void and of no legal effect.

## ARTICLE VI – TERMINATION AND EXPIRY

- 6.1 Termination for Cause.** The Attorney General may immediately terminate this Agreement upon giving notice to the Municipal Partner where there is a breach of this Agreement and such right of termination is in addition to all other rights of termination available at law, or events of termination by operation of law.
- 6.2 Dispute Resolution by Rectification Notice.** Subject to the above section, where the Municipal Partner fails to comply with any of its obligations under this Agreement, the Attorney General may issue a rectification notice to the Municipal Partner setting out the manner and timeframe for rectification. Within seven (7) business days of receipt of that notice, the Municipal Partner shall either: (a) comply with that rectification notice; or (b) provide a rectification plan satisfactory to the Attorney General. If the Municipal Partner fails to either comply with that rectification notice or provide a satisfactory rectification plan, the Attorney General may immediately terminate this Agreement. Where the Municipal Partner has been given a prior rectification notice, the same subsequent type of non-compliance by the Municipal Partner shall allow the Attorney General to immediately terminate this Agreement.
- 6.3 Termination on Notice.** The Attorney General reserves the right to terminate this Agreement, without cause, upon ninety (90) days prior notice to the Municipal Partner.

**6.4 Municipal Partner's Obligations on Termination.** On termination of this Agreement, the Municipal Partner shall, in addition to its other obligations under this Agreement and the applicable laws:

- (a) at the request of the Attorney General, complete the Transferred Prosecutions that are set for sixty (60) days after the termination of this Agreement;
- (b) provide access and transfer ownership, to the Attorney General, of the Transferred Property;
- (c) provide the Attorney General with a report detailing a list of the Transferred Prosecutions that are being transferred to the Attorney General;
- (d) execute such documentation as may be required by the Attorney General to give effect to the termination of this Agreement;
- (e) comply with any other instructions provided by the Attorney General, including but not limited to, instructions for facilitating the transfer of its obligations to another person;
- (f) keep the Attorney General informed of any and all matters that are necessary for the Attorney General to ensure the effective ongoing administration of justice during the termination period; and
- (g) carry out a financial accounting and shall pay to Attorney General any monies owing to the Attorney General, including the Ministry of Finance.

**6.5 Termination in Addition to Other Rights.** The express rights of termination in this Agreement are in addition to and shall in no way limit any rights or remedies of the Attorney General under this Agreement, at law or in equity.

**6.6 Attorney General's Rights and Remedies and Municipal Partner's Obligations Not Limited to Agreement.** The express rights and remedies of the Attorney General and obligations of the Municipal Partner set out in this Agreement are in addition to and shall not limit any other rights and remedies available to the Attorney General, or any other obligations of the Municipal Partner at law or in equity.

**6.7 Municipal Partner's Rights on Termination.** On termination of this Agreement, the Attorney General shall permit the Municipal Partner access to the Transferred Property including, the right to make and keep copies of documents; provided that, the Municipal Partner is named or otherwise becomes a party to any legal proceedings, or is placed on notice that it will be named as a party to a legal proceedings, arising from or in connection with the performance by the Municipal Partner of the Transferred Prosecutions.

**6.8 Expiry of Agreement.** This Agreement shall expire on the Expiry Date.

**6.9 Municipal Partner's Responsibility on Expiry.** On the Expiry Date, the Municipal Partner shall, in addition to its other obligations under this Agreement and the applicable laws:

- (a) at the request of the Attorney General, complete the Transferred Prosecutions that are set for sixty (60) days after the Expiry Date;
- (b) provide access and transfer ownership, to the Attorney General, of the Transferred Property;
- (c) provide the Attorney General with a report detailing a list of the Transferred Prosecutions that are being transferred to the Attorney General;
- (d) execute such documentation as may be required by the Attorney General to give effect to the expiry of this Agreement;
- (e) comply with any other instructions provided by the Attorney General, including but not limited to, instructions for facilitating the transfer of its obligations to another person;
- (f) keep the Attorney General informed of any and all matters that are necessary for the Attorney General to ensure the effective ongoing administration of justice; and
- (g) carry out a financial accounting and shall pay to Attorney General any monies owing to the Attorney General, including the Ministry of Finance.

#### **ARTICLE VII – NOTICE**

**7.1 Notices.** Any demand, approval, consent, notice or communication to be made or given hereunder shall be in writing and may be made or given by personal delivery, courier or mailed by first class registered mail, prepaid postage or by facsimile transmission, or other verifiable electronic means of communication addressed to the respective parties as follows:

- (a) To the Attorney General:

Ministry of Attorney General  
Criminal Law Division  
720 Bay St., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Attention: Tammy Browes-Bugden, Director, Strategic Operations and Management Centre (SOMC)

Telephone No.: 416-305-2916  
E-mail: Tammy.Browes-Bugden@ontario.ca

(b) To the Municipal Partner:

City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Attention: Ms. Lisa Shields, City Solicitor

Telephone No.: 905-546-2424 ext. 4636  
E-mail: Lisa.Shields@hamilton.ca

or to such other address or facsimile number as any party may from time to time designate in accordance with this Section. Any communication made by personal delivery or by courier shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on the day of actual delivery thereof or if such day is not a Business Day, on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Business Day thereafter. Any communication made or given by facsimile on a Business Day before 4:00 p.m. shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on such Business Day and otherwise shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Business Day following the transmittal thereof. Any communication that is mailed shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) Business Day following the date of mailing but if, at the time of mailing or within five (5) Business Days thereafter, there is or occurs a labour dispute or other event that might reasonably be expected to disrupt delivery of documents by mail, any communication shall be delivered or transmitted by any other means provided for in this Section.

## ARTICLE VIII – MISCELLANEOUS

- 8.1 Entire Agreement.** This Agreement, including all documents contemplated hereby, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter and supersedes all prior negotiations, undertakings, representations and understandings. No agreement purporting to amend or modify this Agreement or any document or paper relating thereto or connected herewith is valid and binding unless it is in writing and signed and accepted in writing by the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner.
- 8.2 Assignment.** The Municipal Partner may not assign this Agreement or any of the benefits or obligations hereunder to any person, without the prior written consent of the Attorney General. The Attorney General will have the right at any time to assign this Agreement and any of its rights and obligations hereunder to any person.
- 8.3 Waiver.** The failure or delay by a party in exercising any right or privilege with respect to the non-compliance with any provisions of this Agreement, and any

course of action on the part of such party, shall not operate as a waiver of any rights of the party unless made in writing by such party. Any waiver by a party shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which it is given and shall not constitute a waiver of any other rights and remedies of such party with respect to any other or future non-compliance.

- 8.4 Severability.** Each provision of this Agreement is intended to be severable. If any provision hereof is illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder hereof.
- 8.5 Further Assurances.** Each party will at any time and from time to time, upon the request of the other party, execute and deliver such further documents and do such further acts and things as the other party may reasonably request in order to evidence, carry out and give full effect to the terms, conditions, intent, and meaning of this Agreement.
- 8.6 Enurement.** This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties and their successors and their permitted assigns.
- 8.7 Survival.** Sections 5.1, 5.5, 6.4, 6.9, and 8.7 shall survive any termination, expiration, or cancellation of this Agreement.
- 8.8 Counterparts and Execution by Facsimile and Electronic Mail.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed copy of a signature page to this Agreement by facsimile transmission or electronic mail shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed copy of this Agreement and each party hereto undertakes to provide each other party hereto with a copy of this Agreement bearing original signatures forthwith upon demand.
- 8.9 Non-Agent.** The Municipal Partner shall have no power or authority to bind the Attorney General or to assume or create any obligation or responsibility, express or implied, on behalf of the Attorney General. The Municipal Partner shall not hold itself out as an agent, partner, or employee of the Attorney General. Nothing in this Agreement shall have the effect of creating an employment, partnership or agency relationship between the Attorney General and the Municipal Partner or constitute an appointment under the *Public Service of Ontario Act, 2006*, (Ontario).
- 8.10 Confidentiality.** The parties acknowledge that personal information, as defined under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (Ontario) and the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (Ontario), will be disclosed and exchanged between the parties hereto and that such disclosure and exchange is authorized under the such acts.
- 8.11 Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

***[The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank; Signature page to follow.]***



**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, each of the parties hereto has caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first written above.

**HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF  
ONTARIO AS REPRESENTED BY THE  
ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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Randy Schwartz,  
Assistant Deputy Attorney General,  
Criminal Law Division

**CITY OF HAMILTON**

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Name:  
Title

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Name:  
Title

I/We have the authority to bind the corporation.