

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Issues Committee: August 14, 2023

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR N. NANN.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Ottawa Street BIA and Ottawa Street Pride Committee Public Art (Wards 3 and 4)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton’s strategic plan priority for Healthy and Safe Communities consists of a caring place that is safe and inviting, with people working together to care and support each other, which is inclusive of the communities of people who are Two Spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, and those for whom letters cannot fully yet describe (2SLGBTQIA+);

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is committed to working with artists, businesses, and citizens in the ongoing development and implementation of art in public places to enhance our sense of community;

WHEREAS, the Ottawa Street BIA intends to hang 12 new mobiles, six on each side of Ottawa Street North, from May until September every year for the next five years, to signal to the 2SLGBTQIA+ community that they are recognized and cared for outside the boundary of Pride month celebrations;

WHEREAS, the art is a result of a project lead by the Ottawa Street Pride Committee and created as part of STEPS’ I HeART Main Street initiative;

WHEREAS, the mobiles are designed by Riley Jamieson, a trans artist, and are a symbol of the joy of summer and of queer people working together to care and support each other;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$1,500 be allocated from the Ward 3 Bell Tower Funds Non-Property Tax Revenue Account (3301609603) and \$1,500 from the Ward 4 Capital Discretionary Account (3302109400) to the Ottawa Street BIA toward costs associated with the installation of the 12 Pride mobiles; and
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.