Council: August 18, 2023

CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Expansion of the Golden Hearts Food Cupboard at 226 Rebecca Street (Ward 2)

WHEREAS many seniors living at the CityHousing Hamilton building at 226 Rebecca Street are unable to access nutritious food often resulting in food insecurity;

WHEREAS tenant volunteers at 226 Rebecca Street recognized a need to help residents to access nutritious food resulting in the Golden Hearts Food Cupboard (GHFC) opening in 2019;

WHEREAS in collaboration with Food for Life, Wesley Urban Ministries, and Goodwill, the GHFC receives weekly deliveries of fresh fruit, vegetables, dry goods, dairy products and meat;

WHEREAS the need to access the GHFC has grown since it opened before the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS the space is not large enough to carry out its expanded operations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That up to \$2,500 be allocated from the Ward 2 Special Capital Reinvestment Reserve (#108052) to CityHousing Hamilton for renovations to expand the Golden Hearts Food Cupboard, which will double its current size and accommodate the continual growth of tenant visits; 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.