

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Issues Committee: August 14, 2023

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J.P. DANKO.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Ward Specific Funding Policy Revisions

WHEREAS, some Hamilton City Councillors have access to several Ward specific funding sources including Area Rating Special Capital Re-investment (Area Rating) Reserve Funding, Area Rating Special Capital Re-investment Discretionary (Area Rating Discretionary) Fund, Cellular Tower and Ward-Specific Non-Property Tax Revenues and Minor Maintenance Council Priority Projects;

WHEREAS, these funds are intended to fund Capital infrastructure projects in the Ward;

WHEREAS, Council may overrule the mandate of these funds and approve grants or other operational funding to third parties;

WHEREAS, the use of Ward specific taxpayer dollars to fund third party operational expenses can lead to issues of trust and accountability for Council and the City of Hamilton;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to review funding policies for all Ward specific funding sources and report back to the General Issues Committee with recommendations on revisions to these policies to restrict funding to capital infrastructure as defined by the individual fund mandates.