

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

General Issues Committee (Budget): January 26, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....**

### **Hamilton Police Services Board**

WHEREAS, in 2011 Council voted 8-7 to approve a motion tabled by Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson and Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson that the budget submitted by the Hamilton Police Services Board of a \$130,752,220 increase or 4.97% “be referred back to the Police Services Board requesting further review and consideration of their budget”;

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Hamilton Police Services Board has put forward a total budget increase of \$19,826,637 or 10.24% for a total budget of \$213m;

WHEREAS Mayoral Directive MDI-2023-02, released on August 31, 2023, states that the City of Hamilton must “reduce the burden on residential property taxes” and all budget asks are reviewed prior to submission “to ensure that redundancies and efficiencies have been identified and addressed and that program lines are assessed for ongoing public benefit before continued funding is recommended”;

WHEREAS further deliberation by the Hamilton Police Services Board toward this directive may result in finding further redundancies and efficiencies; and

WHEREAS the City recognizes its fiduciary obligation to fund any mandatory capital costs as outlined in the Police Services Act 4(3).

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That City Council refer the proposed Hamilton Police Services Board budget increase of \$19,826,637 or 10.24% back to the Hamilton Police Services Board requesting further review and consideration and report back with an amended budget, outlining any additional redundancies and efficiencies, by February 15, 2024.