

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Public Works Committee: February 20, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Improvements to the Hamilton Amateur Athletics Association Grounds (Ward 1)

WHEREAS, Hamilton Amateur Athletics Association Grounds (HAAA) is a community park located at 250 Charlton Avenue within Ward 1 that dates back to 1870's;

WHEREAS, HAAA is undergoing a redevelopment of the aging park amenities as part of the overall HAAA Grounds Renewal Plan, and the Ward 1 office, alongside Landscape Architectural Services, has completed two years of online and in person extensive community engagement process to help develop the HAAA Renewal Plan;

WHEREAS, the HAAA serves the historical neighbourhoods of Kirkendall and Durand, with a population of approximately 21,000 residents, or all ages, backgrounds, and economic conditions;

WHEREAS, the HAAA Renewal Plan is partially funded through the ICIP: Community, Culture and Recreation Stream grant funding that has both Federal and Provincial contributions totaling \$ 2,626,678.40;

WHEREAS, the construction of the Renewal Plan is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2024 and incorporates upgrades such as: stormwater management improvements that incorporate low impact development approaches which will reduce the burden on the combined sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the addition of accessibility improvements, improved exercise track, junior and senior playground areas, shade structures, site furnishings, spray pad, active transportation connections, increased the urban tree canopy, social/community spaces, skate dot, climbing structures, improved grass field/open space, outdoor fitness area and improved LED lighting throughout the park were identified by residents as elements that would enhance health and well-being of community for decades;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the improvements associated with low impact development, community space, elementary aged active spaces and high school aged to seniors spaces be financially supported through the Ward 1 Capital Re-Investment Reserve (108051) not to exceed \$1.6 million in the support of the delivery of the Hamilton Amateur Athletics Association Grounds Renewal Plan, and be transferred to ICIP CCR – HAAA Park Redevelopment Project ID 4402056926.
- (b) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to approve and execute any and all required agreements and ancillary documents, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, related to the implementation of the Hamilton Amateur Athletics Association Grounds Renewal Plan, located at 250 Charlton Avenue.