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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?
No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information
Dr. Sally Palmer
Hamilton Social Work Action Committee

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she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request
This is a followup to a delegation on Feb. 16, 2023, asking for the support of City Council in advocating

for an increase in Ontario's social assistance rates. Some of the promises were carried out, but the Director of Government Relations was unable to meet with the Minister of Children, Community & Social Services, who cancelled at the last minute. He did send his Associate Minister, but said that she was not willing to discuss social assistance rates. The most critical issue is that recipients of Ontario Works have not had a raise in 5 years, despite unusually high inflation over this time. We would like someone representing the city to advocate with the Minister for unfreezing the rates of Ontario Works, and for giving a much needed raise to recipients of ODSP.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

Yes

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