

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Public Works Committee: July 10, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR A. WILSON

Installation and Maintenance of a Bird Habitat Structure Proposal by Glenn Meldrum, Johnson Tew Park, 71 Tews Lane, (Dundas) Hamilton (Ward 13)

WHEREAS, Johnson Tew Park is located at 71 Tews Lane, (Dundas) Hamilton;

WHEREAS, this City of Hamilton park contains naturalized areas, an outdoor arboretum, playground, and pathways maintained by the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, resident Glenn Meldrum has fundraised for the fabrication of a bird habitat structure and installation of said structure at Johnson Tew Park, 71 Tews Lane, Hamilton, to encourage the nesting of Barn Swallows (species-at-risk), in an effort to mitigate the decline in this species;

WHEREAS, the bird habitat structure will be designed to replicate desirable nesting habitat for the Barn Swallow and will be an open shed on concrete piers with a steel roof, of which the plans will be reviewed by a structural engineer, will be built and installed by a local union, and donated to the City;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton staff will assist with in-kind project management, and any permits required by the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Conservation Authority;

WHEREAS, the maintenance of the bird habitat structure will be completed under the supervision of Parks staff and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, this proposed bird habitat structure aligns with the goals of the Biodiversity Action Plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to assist with the implementation of the proposed bird habitat structure at Johnson Tew Park, 71 Tews Lane, Hamilton, and to support the development of an agreement to facilitate the donation by resident Glenn Meldrum, as required; and

- (b) That the General Manager of Public Works or designate 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 proposed bird habitat structure at Johnson Tew Park, located at 71 Tews Lane, Hamilton.