



## **OPEN FOR BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT 24-003**

**1:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, July 16, 2024**

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

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**Present:** Councillors T. Hwang (Chair), C. Cassar (Vice-Chair) and M. Wilson

**Also in Attendance:** Michelle Diplock, West End Home Builders' Association  
Drina Omazic, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce  
Matteo Patricelli, Flamborough Chamber of Commerce  
Kyle Slote, Hamilton-Burlington Society of Architects  
Amanda Stringer, Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington  
Brenda Wilson, Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce

**Absent with Regrets:** Nadine Ubl, Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee

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### **THE OPEN FOR BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment (PED24121) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That Report PED24121, respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, be received.

**2. 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update (PED24046) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

That Report PED24046, respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, be received.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

The Committee Clerk advised the Committee that there were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda for the April 8, 2024, Open for Business Sub-Committee was approved, as presented.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

**(i) April 8, 2024 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting of the Open for Business Sub-Committee, were approved, as presented.

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment (PED24121) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Judy Lam, Manager, Commercial Districts and Small Business, and Phil Caldwell, Senior Project Manager, Urban Renewal, who addressed Committee respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Judy Lam, Manager, Commercial Districts and Small Business, and Phil Caldwell, Senior Project Manager, Urban Renewal, respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

**(ii) 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update (PED24046) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

Lisa Abbott, Director, Tourism and Culture, and Ryan McHugh, Manager, Tourism and Events, address Committee respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Lisa Abbott, Director, Tourism and Culture, and Ryan McHugh, Manager, Tourism and Events, respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

**(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

There being no further business, the Open for Business Sub-Committee, adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor T. Hwang  
Chair, Open for Business Sub-  
Committee

Matt Gauthier  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk