

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Public Works Committee: October 15, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR E. PAULS

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Funding for Tree Planting on Lawfield Elementary School, 45 Berko Avenue, Hamilton (Ward 7)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has declared a climate emergency;

WHEREAS, the Opportunities to Partner with Educational Institutions to Plant Trees (PW23066) (City Wide) Report directs staff to pursue and present opportunities to Ward Councillors with representatives from educational institutions in the City of Hamilton to plan tree planting projects on lands which are readily accessed by the public and owned by these Organizations;

WHEREAS, through increased tree planting initiatives on public property, the City continues to work towards meeting targets for the 40% urban tree canopy coverage, as set in the Council approved Urban Forestry Strategy;

WHEREAS, increasing the urban tree canopy by planting trees on private property has many environmental benefits for the residents of Ward 7 and the wider City;

WHEREAS, tree planting on Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board properties is not currently funded under existing City funded tree planting programs; and

WHEREAS, Lawfield Elementary School, 45 Berko Avenue, Hamilton, has shown interest in having trees planted on their property.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the supply and installation of 11 large caliper (50mm to 70mm) trees on Lawfield Elementary School, 45 Berko Avenue, Hamilton, to be funded from the Ward 7 Capital Discretionary Account (#3302109700) at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$3,000, be approved; and

- (b) That the General Manager, 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.