

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities: February 11, 2025

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Partnership Opportunity with the Office of Climate Change Initiatives

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Change Initiatives has identified the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities as a community organization serving an equity-deserving group to be a potential partner in the development of a Climate Justice Framework;

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Change Initiatives has invited the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities to consider submitting an application to the Office of Climate Change Initiatives to partner with them in the development of a Climate Justice Framework, by hosting meaningful engagement activities for persons with disabilities, developed to gain an understanding of their needs, challenges as well as aspirations in the face of our changing climate;

WHEREAS, the Office of Climate Initiatives has identified a budget to cover the costs incurred by this initiative and

requires a report on the results of the engagement activities by June 10, 2025;

WHEREAS, the application deadline to the Office of Climate Change Initiatives is February 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities has tasked its Outreach Working Group with community engagement activities-

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities authorize the Outreach Working Group to apply to the Office of Climate Change Initiatives respecting carrying out a community engagement event to gather feedback from persons with disabilities on their needs, challenges and aspirations in the face of our changing climate in order to contribute to the development of a Climate Justice Framework; and
- (b) That, on receiving the results of the application to the Office of the Climate Change Initiatives, the Outreach Working Group report back to the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities as soon as possible with:
 - (i) any feedback from the Office of Climate Change Initiatives on an unsuccessful application; or
 - (ii) recommendations respecting the proposed Climate Justice Framework community engagement project.