

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Interest Committee: March 19, 2025

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Wesley Youth Outreach Centre (Ward 1)

WHEREAS, Statistics Canada indicates 19.5% of residents in the City of Hamilton are between the ages of 15-29;

WHEREAS, 37.7% of Ward 1 resident's income is at or below the City's poverty line.

WHEREAS, there is a clear link between poverty and impacts on youth's physical, emotional, mental and educational achievements and

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton relies upon the services of Non-profit groups such as Wesley to provide services for youth and newcomers;

WHEREAS, Wesley provides programming and space within Ward 1 for youth to connect to homework support, develop healthy peer-to-peer relationships in a safe place, learn positive life and social skills, and improve overall well-being.

WHEREAS, the furnishings within the facilities are no longer viable,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That a grant to Wesley Youth Outreach Centre located at 155 Queen St. N. be funded from the Ward 1 Capital Discretionary Account #3302309100 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$10,000;
- (b) That any funds allocated and distributed through the Ward 1 Discretionary Fund be exempt on a one-time basis and not be counted toward any formula that restricts regular funding from the City, including the City Enrichment Fund or the One-Time Enhancement Grant (e.g. the City's 30% formula); and,
- (c) The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions that are satisfactory to the City Solicitor.