

City of Hamilton Report for Consideration

| То: | Mayor and Members General Issues Committee |
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| Date: | April 9, 2025 |
| Report No: | PED25108 |
| Subject/Title: | Revised Board of Management for the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area |
| Ward(s) Affected: | Ward 2 |

Recommendations

- 1) The following individual **BE REMOVED** from the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area Board of Management:
 - a. Christal Pshyk LEN: Democratic Purveyors of Fine Art & Beautiful Things;
- 2) The following individual **BE APPOINTED** to the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area Board of Management:
 - a. Graziella Panessa Redchurch Café and Gallery;
- 3) That the changes within Report PED25108 **BE APPROVED** by Council.

Key Facts

• Changes to Board Members of the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area Board of Management include the removal of one Director and appointment of one Director.

Financial Considerations

There are no financial considerations as this is a change in the International Village Business Improvement Area Board of Management.

Background

A meeting of the Board of Management of the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area took place on February 25, 2025. At this meeting, the membership received the resignation of Christal Pshyk from the Board of Management and received the appointment of Graziella Panessa.

Should Council adopt the recommendation in Report PED25108, the aforementioned Business Improvement Area member would be removed from the Business Improvement Area Board of Management and appoint their replacement.

Analysis

As per the *Municipal Act 2001*, Sections 204-215 governs Business Improvement Areas. Section (204) Subsection (3) stipulates "A Board of Management shall be composed of, (a) one or more Directors appointed directly by the Municipality; and (b) the remaining Directors selected by a vote of the membership of the improvement area and appointed by the Municipality". Section 204 Subsection (12) stipulates "…if a vacancy occurs for any cause, the Municipality may appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term and the appointed person is not required to be a member of the improvement area."

Alternatives

Not applicable.

Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities

Responsiveness & Transparency
1.1. Build a high performing public service.

Previous Reports Submitted

Not Applicable.

Consultation

Not applicable.

Appendices and Schedules Attached

Not applicable.

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