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Financial Planning
Policy Administration and Corporate Services
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Regarding the 2025 Budget Submission for Hamilton Public Library (HPL), it has come to our attention that the \$1.5m request in capital requirements has not been submitted appropriately into the City financial system. This \$1.5M in capital requirements is related to network rebuild and structuring that is potent forecasted to occur in the 2025 fiscal year. The Library Board approved this request, and it was highlighted in HPL's budget presentation to City Council.

It has been requested that this submission of capital funding for the 2025 year be accepted for review and possible approval associated with the 2025 fiscal year budget.

Hamilton Public Library's Digital Technology teams are working diligently to restore and upgrade all networks. In order to accomplish this goal, funding requirements are needed.

Please don't hesitate to reach out should further information be required.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Takala". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "T".

Paul Takala, Chief Librarian/CEO