

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Public Works Committee: July 7, 2025

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. HWANG.....

Pilot Project for Greening Kenilworth Avenue North, Hamilton (Ward 4)

WHEREAS, Kenilworth Avenue North between Britannia Avenue and Barton Street has a limited number of trees and green spaces;

WHEREAS, this section of Kenilworth Avenue North has been identified as high to very high on the heat vulnerability index used by Public Health;

WHEREAS, pedestrians can benefit from the addition of shade from trees;

WHEREAS, this section of Kenilworth Avenue North has limited plantable space to support the installation of new street trees in the public right-of-way;

WHEREAS, adding insulated planters to the right-of-way containing trees and perennials may offer improved aesthetics and shade as an interim solution; and

WHEREAS the survivability of trees in insulated planters is variable based on environmental conditions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That a two-year pilot project to determine the efficacy and survivability of planting trees in insulated planters be administered by the Forestry and Horticulture section, including five large, insulated planters at various locations in the right-of-way on Kenilworth Avenue North between Britannia Avenue and Barton Street;
- (b) That the two-year pilot project be funded from the Ward 4 Capital Discretionary Account #3302309400 with an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$24,000;
- (c) That the Forestry and Horticulture section be directed to report back on the success of the pilot; and

- (d) That the General Manager, Public Works or designate be authorized and directed to approve and execute any and all required agreements and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.